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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

Some rather extraordinary developments have been made here recently, affecting the character of officers of high rank in the United States Navy, which promise to be brought before the Senate in a tangible shape. It appears that in giving testimony before one of the late Naval Courts of Inquiry, certain officers disagreed in reference to a matter of fact which is unmistakably part of the record of a ship's log, the accuracy of which officers, number one swears to, and number two and committed perjury. On an examination of our ship's log, divulged leaves there no doubt, that the accuracy of the respective statements of the officers in question, depended upon the fact whether the log-book book was sent to be bound, or not. The missing leaves were found in their place again, and still more strange, the record which had been made by officer number two to have been signed by officer number one the purpose, if anybody, is entitled to wear that appellation. The matter is likely to become a subject of comment in the Navy, and that officer, home too high a reputation to admit of the publication of any excuse until the facts are more fully developed.

The Mr. Hamlin to rather amused than otherwise, by the representation made by a dozen of his constituents, that they regarded his course in opposition to the Lecompton frauds. The meeting was gotten up by a Mr. Joseph Harris, who owes to Mr. Hamlin, and to the $1,600 berth in the Custom-House, which he is permitted to earn by helping the Administration through with the fraudulent conspiracy against Kansas.

Mr. H. does not hesitate to say that he has no respect for these demonstrations of the paid hirelings of power, and that instead of their furnishing him the least evidence that he is pursuing the path of error, it serves to present assurance that the people are with him, and that he is truly representing the sentiments of the honest and independent masses. The enemy and his forces with which the Representative from this district contends, makes Democratic fight against the results certainly challenges the respect of honest men of every shade of opinion.

Much has been said of the courtesy of Mr. Hopkins, the Speaker of the House, to the Whigs in the Committees of the House, in order that he might be enabled not to give offence to any Anti-Lecompton Democrat, such, that of either the Abolitionists and the Democrats, who have to act with them, and Mr. Hopkins, it is said, has received the commendations from Republican Gen. This is only one of the many dirty things which Administration regardless of its supporters.

There is a rumor that J. Buchanan Henry, the President's nephew, is to be appointed Marshal of the District of Columbia, and that Gazaway Fitzhugh of Philadelphia, will succeed him in his present office. I should imagine the impression that if the proposition is seriously entertained at all it will be by Mr. Henry, whose appointment would be hailed as a highly judicious one by all parties. S.

(Special Dispatch to the Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

It appears from the official statement that the balance in the Treasury on Monday last was $[illegible], of which $4,[illegible] was subject to draft. The receipts for the week were $[illegible].

The Committee on Territories, in their report, say they do not approve of the ordinance accompanying the Lecompton Constitution, and therefore oppose its acceptance. They do not regard it as any part of the Constitution, nor would its approval or disapproval by Congress affect the validity of the Constitution if Kansas is admitted into the Union as a sovereign State.

The Committee of the Senate will not, as has been stated, press the passage of the bill for the admission of Kansas exactly in the form reported from the Committee on Territories. There is the highest authority for saying that when the subject comes up for consideration, an amendment will be offered from that side, and doubtless adopted, expressly declaring "that nothing in the Lecompton Constitution shall be construed or held to interfere with the right of the people to alter, amend, or modify it at pleasure."

Messrs. Brown, Cass, Pierce and Thompson, of the Cabinet, and a large number of the members of Congress have made arrangements to attend the inauguration of the Statue of Washington in Richmond on Monday next.

Hon. Jesse L. Reesmer, ex-member of Congress from Indiana, was to-day confirmed by the Senate as United States Marshal for that State.

The Democratic members of the House to-night, had a full and free interchange of opinions, continuing for four hours on the Kansas and other questions, but nothing of an affirmative character was promulgated. The utmost confidence and respect were expressed for the President, and although some regretted that they were compelled to differ from him on the subject of Kansas, they had no disposition whatever to embarrass the Administration and its general policy.

## XXXVth CONGRESS.—First Session.

SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

The Senate was engaged on the private Calendar for some time.

The Army bill was taken up,

Mr. Fessenden said that Mr. Davis wished to reply to some remarks of others, before the vote was taken. He moved a postponement, which was agreed to, and the Senate adjourned till Tuesday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

Mr. Hamlin rose a question of privilege, sent up to the Speaker's desk a letter from Mr. Burns, a member of the House, addressed to him and to the following effect: "You took occasion on Friday to read from the New-York Tribune a false and foul slander against me, from the tenor of which you know, that if the charges set forth were true, would disqualify me from holding a seat in this House. You repeated the slander without provocation. I pronounced the paragraph a falsehood of the foulest kind. If you suppose me guilty of the crime, I ask you to examine into its truth or falsehood. If I am innocent, you should set me right."

Mr. Hamlin desired to respond to the letter, but objections were made. He insisted on his right to be heard. Mr. Hamlin's letter was threatening, and calculated to intimidate.

Mr. Davis called Mr. Hamlin to order, saying, "The gentleman can explain by letter."

Mr. Hamlin wished to know whether the friends of Mr. Burns would insist on their objections.

Mr. Hamlin made another ineffectual attempt to make his explanations.

The subject dropped.

The House resolved that when an adjournment takes place to-day it will be till Tuesday next.

The private calendar was taken up.

Mr. Hatch rose to make a personal explanation. He said that during his absence yesterday Mr. Zollicoffer made a personal allusion to him. He had a right as a Member of the House to discuss any matter of public interest. No power on earth could deter him from a faithful and fearless discharge of that duty. The other day he spoke of a certain party and their acts, which of course could only be known to members of that party.

He (Hatch) proceeded to discuss the question of veracity between that member of the House, as to the existence of a Kansas outlaw, as to their trustworthiness or untrustworthiness. He sought to bring before the House a credible authority for their existence, namely, a journal of New-York. He didn't vouch for the genuineness of these oaths. The gentleman treated this allegation as false. If Mr. Zollicoffer were right, then he was at issue without authority. When he made a personal issue with any gentleman in or outside of the House, he was responsible; but he could not be diverted from meeting a question involving the constitutional rights of his fellow-citizens, by a gentleman giving it a personal or local application. Such oaths may not exist in Tennessee. He did not allege that Mr. Zollicoffer, or any other gentleman had taken such obligations. He had merely expressed a belief that men taking such oaths act in direct violation of the Constitution.

Mr. Zollicoffer said that possibly he misapprehended the spirit actuating Mr. Hatch. The obligations which the latter had read as those of the American Party, were not those in letter or spirit those administered in Tennessee. Being a member of the American Party, he felt it his duty to throw off the insinuation that the obligations were treasonable.

Mr. Gartrell interposing, said that he would have preferred that Mr. Zollicoffer hadn't replied, as Mr. Hatch acknowledged that he was elected by foreign votes. (Confusion.)

Cries of "Order," "Order."

Mr. Zollicoffer, resuming, said that he didn't wish to make a personal issue. If he had misapprehended Mr. Hatch, he had nothing more to say.

Mr. Hatch made a personal explanations. He sent to the Chair a paper reciting that a statement had been made by a member of the House, asserting that Mr Burns had stated to him (the member) on the subject of his (Burns') vote on the Kansas Committee resolution, that he was to have certain official patronage at his disposal, and that Mr. Burns, by thus freely avowing his statements afforded ground for a belief that improper influences had been exerted to bias his vote. He concluded by offering a resolution for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the subject of patronage and how far other persons, to influence the action of members of the House by promises of patronage. Mr. Hamlin disclaimed personal unkindness against Mr. Burns, but said that he could not be diverted from his purpose by side issues. Last Friday he said in the House that the Executive Department were endeavoring to influence votes by the bestowal of patronage, and circumstances connected with Burns' statement justified the charge.

Mr. Bennett objected to any gentleman bringing a personal difficulty into the House under the guise of a privileged question. Mr. Burns had pronounced the charge false, and he was responsible for what he said.

Pending the question, the House adjourned till Tuesday.

### Report of Senator Douglas from the Committee on Territories.

I am constrained to withhold my assent from the conclusion to which the majority of the Committee have arrived, for the reason that there is no satisfactory evidence that the Constitution formed at Lecompton is the act and deed of the people of Kansas, or that it embodies their will. In the absence of all affirmative evidence that the Lecompton Constitution does "meet the sense of the people to be affected by it," and in opposition to the overwhelming majority recorded against it at a fair and valid election held in pursuance of law, on the 4th day of January, 1858, it is argued that the Lecompton Convention was duly constituted with full authority to ordain a Constitution and establish a government, and consequently the proceedings of that Convention must be presumed to embody the popular will, although such presumption may be rebutted and overthrown by the most conclusive evidence to the contrary.

Inasmuch, then, as the right of Congress to accept the Lecompton Constitution and impose it upon the people of Kansas, in opposition to their known wishes and recorded votes, rests solely upon the assumption that the proceedings were technically legal and regular, and that the regularity of the proceedings must be made to override the popular will, it becomes important to inquire whether the Convention was duly constituted, and clothed with full power to ordain a Constitution and establish a State Government to the exclusion of the organic act and Territorial Government established by Congress.

It is conceded that on the 19th day of February, 1857, the Territorial Legislature passed a law providing for the election of delegates to a Convention to form a Constitution and State Government, and that the Convention, when assembled in pursuance of said act, was vested with all the powers which it was competent for the Territorial Legislature to confer, and which, by the terms of the act, was conferred on the Convention, and no more. Did that Territorial act have the legal effect to authorize the Convention to abrogate or suspend the Territorial Government established by Congress, and substitute a State Government in its place?

The Committee, in their reports, have always held that a Territory is not a sovereign power; that the sovereignty of a Territory is in abeyance, suspended in the United States in trust for the people when they become a State; that the United States, as the trustee, cannot be divested of the sovereignty, nor the Territory be invested with the right to assume and exercise it without the consent of Congress. By the Kansas-Nebraska act the people of the Territory were vested with all the rights and privileges of self-government on all rightful subjects of legislation consistent with and in obedience to the organic act; but they were not authorized, at their own will and pleasure, to resolve themselves into a sovereign power, and to abrogate and annul the organic act and Territorial Government established by Congress, and to ordain a Constitution and State Government upon their ruins without the consent of Congress.

It would seem, from his Special Message, that the President is under the impression that the Kansas-Nebraska act, from the date of its passage, on the 30th of May, 1854, when there were not five hundred white inhabitants in the whole country, authorized the people of those Territories respectively, or "any portion of the same," at their own sovereign will and pleasure, "to proceed and form a Constitution in their own way, without an express authority from Congress," and to suspend the authority of the Territorial Legislature, at least to the extent of depriving it of the power to submit a Constitution to the people for ratification or rejection before it should be deemed the act and deed of the people of Kansas. With the most profound respect for the opinions of the President, I must be pardoned for expressing my firm convictions that neither the provisions of that act, nor the history of the measure, nor the understanding of its authors and supporters at the time of its enactment, or at any period since, justifies or permits the construction which the President has placed upon it. It is certain that President Pierce, who signed and approved the Kansas-Nebraska act, and whose Administration was a unit in support of the measure at the time of its enactment, did not understand that it authorized the people of each or either of these Territories "to proceed and form a Constitution in their own way, without an express authority from Congress," from the fact that on the —day of ——, 1856, he sent in a special Message to Congress in which he recommended an Enabling act for Kansas as the appropriate legislative remedy for the evils complained of in that Territory.

His recommendation is in these words:

"This, it seems to me, can be best accomplished by providing that when the inhabitants of Kansas may desire it, and shall be of sufficient numbers to constitute a State, a convention of delegates, duly elected by the qualified voters, shall assemble to frame a Constitution, and thus prepare, through regular and lawful means, for its admission into the Union as a State. *I respectfully recommend the enactment of a law to that effect.* I recommend, also, that a special appropriation be made to defray any expense which may become requisite in the execution of the laws or the maintenance of public order in the Territory of Kansas."

The Message of President Pierce containing this recommendation was referred to the Committee on Territories by the Senate, and after full examination and mature deliberation, this Committee, on the 12th day of March, 1856, made an elaborate report in explanation and vindication of the principles, provisions and policy of the Kansas-Nebraska act, and arrived at the conclusion that the recommendation of the President furnished the appropriate and legitimate mode of conducting the principles, provisions and policy of the act to a successful and final consummation, by the passage of an act of Congress authorizing the people of Kansas to hold a Convention and form a Constitution and State Government, "when the inhabitants of Kansas may desire it, and shall be of sufficient numbers to constitute a State."

The Committee, in their report, responded to the President's recommendation in the following language:

"In compliance with the first recommendation, your Committee ask leave to report a bill authorizing the Legislature of the Territory to provide by law for the election of delegates by the people, and the assembling of a Convention to form a Constitution and State Government, preparatory to their admission into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, as soon as it shall appear, by a census to be taken under the direction of the Governor, by the authority of the Legislature that the Territory contains 93,420 inhabitants—that being the number required by the present ratio of representation for a member of Congress."

Thus it appears that the Committee who wrote and approved the Kansas-Nebraska bill, and the President who approved and imparted vitality to it by his signature, did not mean by that act to authorize or recognize the right of the people of a Territory with a few hundred or even a few thousand population, whenever they pleased to form a Constitution and State Government, "without an express authority from Congress," but on the contrary, it clearly appears that the authors of the act understood and intended it to be construed and executed as meaning, that while the people of those Territories remained in a territorial condition, they should exercise and enjoy all the rights and privileges of self-government in conformity with the organic act, and that when they should have the requisite number, "to constitute a State," and should desire it, Congress would give its assent in a subsequent act to authorize them to form a Constitution and State government, and to come into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever. President Pierce did not specify the number which he deemed necessary to constitute a State, nor did the Cincinnati Convention, on the "celebrated occasion" referred to by the President in his annual Message, designate the precise number which entitle the people of all the Territories, including Kansas and Nebraska, "to form a Constitution with or without Slavery, and be admitted into the Union upon terms of perfect equality with the other States;" but it is evident from the language employed that they did not understand the right of admission to have accrued from the date of the organization of each Territory, nor when there were a few hundred or a few thousand inhabitants, nor at whatever time the people of the Territory should feel disposed to claim the privilege without reference to numbers, but when, in the language of President Pierce, "*They should be of sufficient numbers to constitute a State;*" or in the language of the Cincinnati Platform, as appears in the extract copied into the annual Message of the President, "*whenever the number of their inhabitants justifies it;*" or in the language of the Committee on Territories in the report to which I have referred, so soon as it shall appear by a census "that the Territory contains 93,420 inhabitants, *that being the number required by the present ratio of representation for a member of Congress.*" So it appears that each of these authorities (if I may be permitted to use such a term in this connection) excludes the idea that a Territory may proceed to form a Constitution and State Government whenever it pleases, without the consent of Congress and irrespective of the number of its inhabitants; and sustains the position that a Territory is not entitled to admission, according to the principles of the Federal Constitution, until it contains the population fixed by Congress, and that it is the province of Congress, instead of the Territory, to determine when that number shall be; while the Constitution of the United States does not, in terms, prescribe the number of inhabitants requisite, yet in view of the fact that representation in the House of Representatives is to be in the ratio of federal population, and that each State, no matter how small its population, is to be allowed one representative, it is apparent that the rule most consistent with fairness and justice toward the other States, and in harmony with the general principles of the Federal Constitution, is that which, according to the ratio of population for the time being, is sufficient for a Representative in Congress. A reference to the debates which have occurred in all the cases touching the sufficiency of population, in the admission of a State, will show that the discussion has always proceeded on the supposition that the rule I have indicated was the true one, and the effort had been, on the one side to prove that the proposed State had sufficient population, and on the other that it had not the requisite numbers to entitle it to admission in substantial compliance with that rule.

In view of these facts I respectfully but firmly insist that neither the principles nor the provisions of the Kansas-Nebraska act, nor of the Cincinnati Platform justify the assertion that it was the intention to abrogate this wise and just rule and establish in lieu of it the principle that "all the Territories, including Kansas and Nebraska," have a right, whenever they please, and with whatever population they may happen to possess, "to proceed and form a Constitution in their own way without an express authority from Congress," and demand admission into the Union on the plea that the Organic act was an enabling act. I do not insist that Congress, in the exercise of a sound discretion, may not depart from the rule to which I have referred, and make an exceptional case of a Territory under peculiar circumstances, as the Senate proposed and the House of Representatives refused to do with Kansas, in July, 1856; but in such a case, if any can be shown in our history, it must be regarded as a concession by Congress, and not the recognition of a right in the Territory.

That the Senate concurred with President Pierce and the Committee on Territories, that the Kansas-Nebraska act did not authorize the people of those Territories to proceed and form a State Constitution whenever they chose, without the consent of Congress; and that the passage of an enabling act by Congress was the appropriate and legitimate mode of carrying into effect the principles, provisions and policy of the Kansas-Nebraska act, when those Territories respectively should have the requisite population to entitle them to admission into the Union as States, according to the principles of the Federal Constitution, as guaranteed by the Treaty acquiring the country from France, is made apparent by the fact that on the 2d day of July, 1856, in pursuance of the said recommendation of the President and report of the Committee, the Senate passed an enabling act for Kansas, entitled "*An act to authorize the people of the Territory of Kansas to form a Constitution and State Government, preparatory to their admission into the Union on an equal footing with the original States.*" I quote from Senate Journal, page 414:

"Ordered, that the bill be engrossed and read a third time. The said bill was read the third time.

On the question, Shall the bill pass? it was determined in the affirmative, Yeas 35; Nays 10.

On motion by Mr. Bayard, Yeas and Nays being desired by one-fifth of the Senators present,

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Messrs. Allen, Bayard, Bell of Tenn., Benjamin, Biggs, Bigler, Bright, Brodhead, Brown, Cass, Clay, Crittenden, Douglas, Evans, Fitzpatrick, Geyer, Hunter, Iverson, Johnson, Jones of Iowa, Mallory, Pratt, Pugh, Reid, Sebastian, Slidell, Stuart, Thompson of Ky., Toombs, Toucey, Weller, Wright, and Yulee.

Those who voted in the negative are:

Messrs. Bell of N. H., Collamer, Dodge, Durkee, Fessenden, Foot, Foster, Hale, Seward, Trumbull, Wade, and Wilson.

So it was

*Resolved*, That the bill pass, and that the title thereof be as aforesaid."

From this official record, it appears that no Senator voted against the Enabling act for Kansas in 1856, who had either advocated or voted for the Kansas-Nebraska act in 1854; while it is proper to remark that those Senators who did vote against this Enabling act, justify their opposition upon the ground that the provisions of the bill, and the time and circumstances under which it was proposed to press it, were not in accordance with their views of public policy and duty, and not upon the ground that the organic act was a sufficient Enabling act to authorize the people of the Territory to ordain a Constitution whenever they pleased. Greater significance and importance are imputed to these recommendations, reports and votes, in favor of an enabling act for Kansas, in view of the fact that a few months previously the Territorial Legislature had taken the preliminary steps for calling the Lecompton Convention, by ordering an election to be held a few months thereafter for or against the Convention; while the effect as well as the design of the Enabling act thus recommended by the President and passed by the Senate, would have been, if it had passed the House and become a law, to arrest and put an end to this irregular and unauthorized proceeding on the part of the Territorial Legislature, and to substitute in place of it a regular and legal mode of proceeding under the authority of Congress.

Had the Enabling act become a law, whereby the people of Kansas would have been authorized to assume and exercise the sovereign power of establishing a Constitution and State Government, the proceeding would have been regular, lawful, and in strict conformity with the true intent and meaning of the Kansas-Nebraska act. Then the people of Kansas would have become a sovereign power, clothed with full authority to establish a Constitution and State Government in their own way, subject only to the Constitution of the United States. But if the proposition be true, that sovereign power alone can institute Governments, and that the sovereignty of a Territory is in abeyance, suspended in the United States in trust for the people when they become a State, and the sovereignty cannot be divested from the hands of the trustee and vested in the people of the Territory without the assent of Congress, it follows as an unavoidable consequence that the Kansas Legislature, by the act of February 19, 1857, did not and could not confer upon the Lecompton Convention the sovereign power of ordaining a Constitution for the people of Kansas in the place of the organic law passed by Congress.

The Convention seem to have been conscious of this absence of sovereign power on their part, and seek to supply the deficiency by referring the Constitution to the people at an election on the 21st of December last, "*for ratification or rejection,*" with the further provision that "*this Constitution shall take effect and be in force from and after its ratification by the people, as hereinbefore provided.*"

I will quote some of the provisions on this point:

"Before this Constitution be sent to Congress asking admission into the Union as a State, it shall be submitted to all the white male inhabitants of this Territory, for approval or disapproval as follows," &c.

And again:

"At which election the Constitution formed by this Convention shall be submitted to all the white male inhabitants of the Territory of Kansas, in said Territory, upon that day, and over the age of twenty-one years, for *ratification or rejection* in the following manner and form," &c.

And further:

"Sec. 14. This Constitution shall take effect and be in force from and after the ratification by the people, as hereinbefore provided."

From these provisions it is clear that the Convention did not openly assert and exercise the authority to ordain and establish the Constitution by virtue of any sovereign power vested in that body, but referred it to the people for ratification or rejection under the supposition that the popular will expressed through the ballot-box might impart vitality and validity to it. But before the time arrived for holding the election on the ratification or rejection of the Constitution, as provided by the Convention, the Territorial Legislature interposed its authority by the passage of a law providing that said Constitution should be submitted to the people for ratification or rejection, at a fair election, to be held in conformity with the laws of the Territory, on the 4th day of January, 1858. The reason for this Legislative interposition, by which the vote on the Constitution was, in effect, to be postponed from the 21st of December to the 4th of January, and then held and conducted, and the returns made in the manner prescribed by law, may be deduced from the following facts:

1. That, while the Convention recognized the right of the people of Kansas to "*ratify*" or "*reject*" said Constitution, and provided that it should not take effect nor be submitted to Congress for acceptance until so ratified, at an election to be held for the purpose of "*ratification*" or "*rejection*," yet the mode of submission prescribed by the Convention was such as to render it impossible for the people to reject it at said election, even if there should be but one person offering to vote for it, and 20,000 against, since no person was to be permitted to vote unless he would vote for the Constitution, and those who should offer to vote against the Constitution, were to be excluded from the polls, and deprived of the privilege of voting at all at said election.

2. That the mode of submission prescribed by the Convention did not fully present the question to the people to be decided at that election whether Kansas should be a slaveholding or a non-slaveholding State, for the reason that while there was known to be many Pro-Slavery men residing in the Territory who were anxious to vote in favor of making Kansas a slaveholding State, but were at the same time ironically opposed to that Constitution, and while it was also known that there were many Free-State men resident in the Territory who were equally opposed to the Constitution, whether the Slavery clause should be stricken out or excluded; yet the Convention had provided in effect that no Pro-Slavery man should vote in favor of making Kansas a slaveholding State, unless he at the same time recorded his vote in favor of the Constitution; nor should any Free-State man vote in favor of making Kansas a Free-State, unless he at the same time would record his vote in favor of the Constitution.

3. That inasmuch as the Convention did not possess legislative power, it could not prescribe, and did not attempt to provide any penalties or punishments for illegal and fraudulent voting, or for false and fraudulent returns, thereby by a vague and vain solicitude of the Territorial laws.

4. That the schedule of the Constitution had taken the whole management of the said election out of the hands of the Territorial officers, and placed it in the hands of Commissioners, Judges and Clerks to be appointed by and under the authority of the President of the Convention; and even if the Territorial laws could be construed as applicable to the persons to appointed to conduct that election, yet fraudulent and spurious and forged returns could be made with impunity, as had been the case in other elections, for the reason that, by some singular omission or inadvertence, the election laws of the Territory failed to provide any penalties or punishment for such offences.

Do not these facts furnish sufficient reasons to justify the Territorial Legislature in interposing its authority, as it did on the 17th of December, in the passage of a law which, in effect, postponed the election on the ratification or rejection of the Constitution until the 4th day of January, and provided that on that day a fair election should be held, at which any legal voter in the Territory might record his vote for or against the Constitution, and vote against the Slavery article, fully and unconditionally, and also made wise and effective provisions to protect the ballot-box and returns from fraud and violence.

The result of the election of the 4th of January on the ratification or rejection of the Lecompton Constitution was officially announced by the Governor and presiding officers of the two Houses of the Legislature of the Territory in the following proclamation:

"In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled 'An act submitting the Constitution framed at Lecompton, and ordered by the Legislative Assembly of Kansas Territory, and for other purposes,' An act to provide for taking a census and election of delegates to a Convention," passed Feb. 19, A. D. 1857, we, the undersigned announce the following as the official vote of the people of Kansas Territory, on the questions as therein submitted on the 4th day of January, 1858:

| COUNTIES. | Against the Lecompton Constitution. | For the Lec'n Constit'n with Slavery. | For the Lec'n Constitution without Slavery. |
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| Leavenworth | 1,[illegible] | 17 | 1 |
| Atchison | [illegible] | [illegible] | 2 |
| Doniphan | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Brown | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Nemaha | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Marshall | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Riley | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Pottawatomie | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Calhoun | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Jefferson | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Jackson | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Lykins | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Linn | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Bourbon | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Douglas | 1,[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Franklin | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Anderson | 17 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Allen | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Shawnee | [illegible] | 15 | [illegible] |
| Coffee | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Woodson | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Richardson | 1,[illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Breckenridge | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Madison | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Davis | 21 | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Totals | 10,226 | 138 | 21 |

Some Precincts have not yet sent in their returns, but the above is the complete vote received up to this date.

J. W. DENVER,
Secretary and Acting Governor.
C. W. BABCOCK,
President of the Council.
G. W. DEITZLER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Jan. 26, 1858.

From this official proclamation, it appears that the Lecompton Constitution was repudiated and rejected by the people of Kansas at that election by a clear majority of ten thousand and sixty-four (10,064) votes.

It is proper, however, to remark that, notwithstanding the Legislature had provided by law that the vote on the ratification or rejection of the Constitution should take place on the 4th day of January, the friends of that instrument, in disregard of the law, held an election on the 21st of December, under the pretended authority of the Convention; and that it appeared from a proclamation signed by C. W. Babcock, President of the Council, and by G. W. Deitzler, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Territory, who were present by invitation of John Calhoun, President of the Convention, at the counting of the votes, that six thousand one hundred and forty-three (6,143) votes were returned "for the Constitution with Slavery," and that five hundred and eighty-nine (589) votes were returned "for the Constitution with no Slavery." Showing a majority of five thousand five hundred and seventy-four (5,574) votes cast at that election for "the Constitution with Slavery," as presented to Congress for acceptance.

It is also stated in the same proclamation, that "more than one-half of this majority was cast at these very sparely-settled precincts in the Territory, two of them in the Shawnee Reserve, on land not open for settlement, viz.:

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| Oxford, Johnson County | 1,266 |
| Shawnee, Johnson County | 729 |
| Kickapoo, Leavenworth County | 1,017 |
| Total | 3,012 |

"From our personal knowledge of the sentiments in and around the above places, we have no hesitation in saying, that the great bulk of these votes were fraudulent, and, taking into view the other palpable but less important frauds, we feel safe in saying, that of the whole vote polled, not over 2,000 were legal votes polled by the citizens of the Territory."

But assuming this election to have been fair and valid, although not held and conducted according to law, and assuming the returns to have been genuine, and the voters to have been all citizens of the Territory, notwithstanding the recent developments of the enormous frauds at the polls, and in the returns—assuming all this, let us see how the matter stands when we compare the results of the two elections. At the election on the 4th of January, the majority against the Constitution was 10,064. At the election on the 21st of December, the majority in favor of the Constitution as presented to Congress was 5,574; showing a clear majority against the Constitution, on comparison of the returns of the two elections, and supposing each to have been fair and legal, of 4,490. If from this calculation we deduct the fraudulent votes according to the statements of the presiding officers of the two Houses of the Legislature, who were present at the opening of the polls and the counting of the votes by the invitation of the President of the Convention, and we have a majority of more than 8,000, or four to one of all the legal voters of Kansas in opposition to the Constitution.

The manner in which the advocates of the Lecompton Constitution hope to avoid the force of this overwhelming verdict against it by the people of Kansas, is explained in the following passage from the recent Special Message of the President of the United States, which contains all that he says upon the subject:

"It is proper that I should briefly refer to the election held under an act of the Territorial Legislature, on the first Monday of January last, on the Lecompton Constitution. This election was held after the Territory had been prepared for admission into the Union as a sovereign State, and when no authority existed in the Territorial Legislature, which could possibly destroy its existence, or change its character. The election, which was peaceably conducted under my instructions, involved a strange inconsistency. A large majority of the persons who voted against the Lecompton Constitution were at the very same time and place, recognizing its valid existence in the most solemn and authentic manner, by voting under its provisions. I have yet received no official information of the result of this election."

It is to be regretted that on the 2d day of February the President had received no official information of the result of the election held on the 4th day of January, which was published in the "proclamation" to which I have referred, and was republished in the newspapers of this city and of New-York as early as the 20th of January, from which proclamation the President would have learned, if he had received it, that the people of Kansas had repudiated and rejected the Lecompton Constitution by more than 10,000 majority at that election. It seems, however, that the President attaches no importance to the overwhelming vote of the people against the Constitution, for the reason that he supposes "this election was held after the Territory had been prepared for admission into the Union as a sovereign State, and when no authority existed in the Territorial Legislature which could possibly destroy its existence or change its character." By what authority had the Territory been prepared for admission into the Union? Certainly not by the authority of Congress, for I have already shown that Congress withheld its assent when asked by President Pierce in a special message to grant it.

Was it by authority of the Territorial Legislature? It is a peculiar doctrine that a Territorial Legislature may assemble a Convention without the assent of Congress and empower the Convention, when assembled, to abrogate or impair the authority of the Territorial Government established by Congress, of which the Legislature is a constituent part.

This question does not now arise for the first time in the history of our country. It arose under the Administration of Gen. Jackson, on the right of the Territorial Legislature of Arkansas "to prepare that Territory for admission into the Union as a sovereign State without any express authority from Congress," and, after mature deliberation, Gen. Jackson delivered the decision of his Administration upon the proposition, through Mr. Butler, his Attorney-General.

I quote from the opinion:

"To suppose that the legislative powers granted to the General Assembly include the authority to abrogate, alter or modify the Territorial Government established by the act of Congress, and of which the Assembly is a constituent part, would be manifestly absurd. The act of Congress so far as it is consistent with the Constitution of the United States and with the treaty by which the Territory, as a part of Louisiana, was ceded to the United States, is a supreme law of the Territory; it is paramount to the power of the Territorial Legislature, and can only be repealed or altered by the authority from which it emanated. The General Assembly, and the people of the Territory are as much bound by the provisions, and as incapable of abrogating them, as the Legislature and people of the American States are bound by and incapable of abrogating the Constitution of the United States. It is a maxim in political science, that when a particular thing is prohibited by law, all means, when a particular contrivance to effect such a thing are strongly prohibited. Consequently, it is not in the power of the General Assembly of Arkansas to pass any law for the purpose of electing members to a Convention to form a Constitution and State Government, nor to do any other act directly or indirectly, to create such new Government. Every such law, even though it were approved by the Governor of the Territory would be null and void. If passed by them notwithstanding his veto, by a vote of two-thirds of each branch, it would still be equally void."

Thus it appears that under the Administration of General Jackson, the doctrine obtained, and I have never heard its correctness questioned until the present session of Congress, that a Convention assembled under the authority of a Territorial Legislature, "without any express authority from Congress," had no right or power to prepare the Territory for admission into the Union as a sovereign State, and thereby abrogate or impair the authority of the Territorial Legislature over all rightful subjects of legislation consistent with the organic act. If this view of the subject be correct, it follows, necessarily, that the Lecompton Convention, in forming the Constitution, did not, by that act, and could not by any act impair, diminish or restrain the authority of the Territorial Legislature, and hence that the Constitution formed at Lecompton and presented to Congress for acceptance, should be considered and treated like any other memorial or petition, which Congress may accept, reject or disregard, according to the facts and circumstances of the case. This point was also considered and decided by General Jackson's Administration in the Arkansas case, as appears by the following extract from the same opinion of Attorney-General Butler:

"But I am not prepared to say that all proceedings on this subject, on the part of the citizens of Arkansas, will be illegal.

They undoubtedly possess the ordinary privileges and immunities of citizens of the United States. Among these is the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for the redress of grievances. In the exercise of this right the inhabitants of Arkansas may peaceably meet together in primary assemblies, or in Conventions chosen by such assemblies, for the purpose of petitioning Congress to abrogate the Territorial Government and to admit them into the Union as an independent State. The particular form which they may give to their petition cannot be material, so long as they confine themselves to the mere right of petitioning, and cannot all their proceedings in a peaceable manner; and as the power of Congress over the whole subject is plenary and unlimited, they may accept any Constitution, however framed, which, in their judgment, fulfils the conditions prescribed by it. If, therefore, the citizens of Arkansas think proper to accompany their petition by a written Constitution, framed and agreed on by their primary assemblies, or by a Convention of Delegates chosen by such assemblies, I perceive no legal objection to their power to do so, nor to any measures which may be taken to collect the sense of the people in respect to it, provided it may be in such manner be conducted and presented in a peaceable manner, *in strict subordination to the existing Territorial Government, and in entire subservicency to the power of Congress to adopt, reject or disregard them at their pleasure.*

It is, however, very obvious that all measures contrived and prosecuted with a design to subvert the Territorial Government, and to establish in its place a new Government, without the consent of Congress, will be unlawful. The laws establishing the Territorial Government must continue in force until abrogated by Congress; and in the meantime it will be the duty of the Governor and of all the Territorial officers, as well as of the President, to take care that they are faithfully executed."

If we apply the principles to Kansas which received the sanction of Gen. Jackson and his Administration in the Arkansas case, it becomes apparent that the Lecompton Convention had the right to assemble under the protection of that clause of the Constitution of the United States which secures to the people the right "peaceably to assemble, and to petition Government for the redress of grievances;" and in the exercise of this right of petition they might "pray Congress to abrogate the Territorial Government, and to admit them into the Union as an independent State," provided "they confine themselves to the mere right of petitioning, and the Constitution inclosed in their petition *meets the sense of the people to be affected by it,*" and also that "such measures be commenced and prosecuted in a peaceable manner, in *strict subordination to the existing Territorial Government, and in entire subservicency to the power of Congress,* to adopt, reject or disregard them, at their pleasure;" but that said Convention could not establish a Government, or ordain a Constitution, or do any other act, under pretence of "preparing the Territory for admission into the Union as a sovereign State," calculated or intended to abrogate, impair or restrain the Legislative power of the Territory over all rightful subjects of legislation consistent with the organic act. If these principles be sound—if the doctrine of Gen. Jackson's Administration in the Arkansas case be correct, the President is mistaken in supposing that the Lecompton Convention did or could do any act, depriving the Territorial Legislature of the power and right to pass a law referring the Constitution to a vote of the people on the 4th of January, with the view of ascertaining the essential and all-important fact, whether it "*meets the sense of the people to be affected by it.*" The power of the Territorial Legislature over the whole subject was as full and absolute on the 17th day of December, when the law was enacted providing for the submission of the Constitution to the people at the election on the 4th of January, as it was on the 19th day of February, 1857, when the Legislature passed the act calling the Lecompton Convention into existence. The Convention was the creature of the Territorial Legislature; was called into existence by its mandate, derived whatever power it possessed from its enactment, and was bound to conduct all its proceedings "*in strict subordination to the existing Territorial Government,*" as well as "in entire subservicency to the power of Congress, to adopt, reject, or disregard them at their pleasure." Such being the case, whenever the Legislature ascertained that the Convention, whose existence depended upon its will, had devised a scheme to force a Constitution upon the people without their consent, and without any authority from Congress, and which was believed to be repugnant to the feelings and hostile to the interests of the people to be affected by it, it became their imperative duty to interpose and exert the authority conferred upon them by Congress in the organic act, and arrest and prevent the consummation of the scheme before it had gone into operation.

The Legislature deserves credit for the promptness, wisdom, and justice which characterized its proceedings in this respect. The members were familiar with the wishes of the people, having been elected after the Lecompton Convention assembled, and before it concluded its labors, and at the end of an exciting canvass, in which the origin and organization of the Convention, the circumstances under which the delegates were elected and their pledges to submit the Constitution to the people for ratification or rejection, and the various provisions which were to be incorporated into the Constitution, were all fully and freely discussed by both parties before the people. The Legislature not only passed the act of the 17th of December authorizing the people to vote for or against the Constitution before it should be sent to Congress for acceptance, but in order to prevent any action by Congress before the people should have an opportunity of making their wishes known in any authoritative and legal form, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted, as published in the public prints by the unanimous vote of the two Houses:

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# ADDITIONAL FROM EUROPE.

## The Repressive Measures in France.

## Second Escape of the American Clipper Ship Adriatic from the French Authorities.

## Departure of the Prince and Princess of Prussia from England.

## THE LEVIATHAN AFLOAT.

In addition to the European news published [illegible] we derive some further [illegible] by the *Baltic*. Our advices [illegible] Liverpool and London are to the 3d of [illegible] in Liverpool that the Eng[illegible] had purchased the *Adriatic*, of [illegible] mail steamers. The purchase [illegible] seriously stated to be from £150,000 to [illegible]

[illegible] are occupied in discussing the [illegible] "repressive measures" of Mar[illegible] It is reported that the English resi[illegible] have taken steps at the public[illegible] addresses from the army, and are hurriedly preparing to leave France.

[illegible] correspondent of the London *Times* [illegible] of the conspirators, ORSINI and [illegible] confessed all that is imputed to them. [illegible] murderous designs were, it appears, not con[illegible] the Emperor of the French. Other sov[illegible] to be included in the assassination, [illegible] the King of Naples, and [illegible] The Paris correspondent of [illegible] says that "it will probably be [illegible] and his companions acted on [illegible] guilty instructions."

[illegible] correspondent of the London *Globe*, [illegible] the American meeting on the at[illegible] An ex-member of the Congress [illegible] the United States Consul, SPENCER, [illegible] congratulated the Emperor, but Chevs[illegible] could not get a hearing."

[illegible] FAUCHEUX's Drawing-room, held at [illegible] Palace on the 30th ult., the Minister [illegible] United States of America, Mrs. DALLAS, [illegible] Mr. P. N. DALLAS, Secretary, and [illegible] MORAN were present.

[illegible] in France.

[illegible] *of the London Times.*

[illegible] measure on the 16th or 17th [illegible] will be carried to its highest [illegible] of extraordinary repression [illegible] the Council of State by his [illegible] Government. No exact notion [illegible] of these projects. Imag[illegible] very worst was anticipated; [illegible] moderation and calm judgment of [illegible] the guarantee that innocent [illegible] to suffer for the crimes [illegible] yet it was with intense anxie[illegible] was for many days after the publication [illegible] *Omne ignotum* [illegible] was general; and [illegible] noted, that among the most [illegible] were found persons [illegible] official posts and corresponding [illegible] the Government, and deeply in[illegible] Senators and deputies, [illegible] of high position, men of stand[illegible] in society, moderate in politics, [illegible] adverse to the present order of [illegible] traders, high and low—all [illegible] their fears and joined in deprecating [illegible] which heated in the official fur[illegible] heat. The alarm is, I believe, no [illegible] because time has ac[illegible] people to it, and a great deal from the [illegible] shunned of interposition from the [illegible] and a hint in favor of moderation. [illegible] which limits the popular ap[illegible] *Les des Suspects*, though not so [illegible] as the imagination in[illegible] nevertheless, very stringent. It is [illegible] I have already described. It contains nine classes, and among other provisions it renders all those who were condemned by the mixed commission after the coup *d'état*, or by the ordinary tribunals at the same period, liable to transportation for new offences, and [illegible] which may be construed into hatred [illegible] against the Government, render them also liable to the same pun[illegible] This clause in particular excited [illegible] in the Council of State. It pro[illegible] to give the authorities power to expel from [illegible] or to remove from the large towns, [illegible] who were arrested temporarily during [illegible] coup d'état,—on no charge you must remember, but merely by way of precaution; in fact, to prevent them doing harm to others, or getting into [illegible] but who were soon after allowed [illegible] country. Such a clause would af[illegible] the most distinguished in France as [illegible] or soldiers. It was opposed [illegible] and warmly; and we are told that the [illegible] the clause to be expunged.

[illegible] who most strenuously opposed the [illegible] measure was M. DE PARIEU, Vice-President of the Council of State, and M. CHAIX D'ESTANGE, the newly-appointed *procureur*. M. DE PARIEU, to his honor, is said to have positively refused to draw up the report, which will have to be presented to the Legislative Corps. There is hardly a Deputy you speak with who does not condemn the project; when the time for voting comes there is little doubt it will be voted down by a large majority.

It is said that, notwithstanding the exertions of the Italian accomplices to the plot to assassinate the Emperor, have been discovered; and that the four principals already in custody, and two others who have escaped from justice, will be brought to trial. The report of the *Chambres des Mises en Accusation* will be read to-morrow. If, of course, [illegible] the prisoners shall be put on their trial.

I have already mentioned the names of the five Marshals who are to command the new military divisions into which the country is to be reorganized. Marshals VAILLANT will have supreme control over all, with the title of Marshal-General. This title has been already borne by TURENNE, VILLARS, SAXE, BOUFFLERS (the Marshal,) and SOULT.

*Paris, Jan. 30, Correspondence of the London News.*

In respect to the "repressive measures," I now learn from what I consider to be a good source, that the notion of applying the system of "surveillance" to individuals has really been abandoned by the Council of State. The bill which has been finally approved of by that body, and which will be presented to the *Corps Legislatif* on Monday, proposes, as I understand, that every individual, who was arrested in June, 1848, or December, 1851, may be compelled to reside in a given place, or transported without trial. There was great struggle in the Council on the question whether these two classes of *suspects* should not be treated as two separate categories; but it was ultimately agreed, in accordance with the views of the Government, that MM. THIERS, REMUSAT, and others, are to be placed on precisely the same footing as any participant of the barricades. With respect to other citizens, they are to be liable to be proceeded with in a similar way; but only after trial and conviction for a new offence to be now created, which offence, however it may be denominated, will be in substance that of being disaffected. We are about to see times when servants will denounce their masters, debtors their creditors, and men of all classes their personal enemies."

*Paris (Jan. 31) Correspondence of the London News.*

I understand that the Emperor shrinks from adopting the opinion of the Council of State, which include M. THIERS, and other men of December, 1851, of his category, in his new repressive measures, and that the bill, as presented in the *Corps Législatif*, will be amended in accordance with his Majesty's determination.

THE FRENCH REGENCY.

The *Moniteur* of Feb. 2 gives an account of the meeting of the Senate under its President, TROPLONG.

At half-past three o'clock M. FOULD rose and said:

GENTLEMEN SENATORS: The Emperor has ordered me to bring you the following message:

NAPOLEON, the SENATORS: The Senatus-Consultum of the 17th of July last, leaves a doubt which I am bound to remove, it seems to me, advisable to put an end to. In fact, it confers the Regency on the Empress, or, she failing, on Prince NAPOLEON, provided the Empress has not by some public or secret act willed it otherwise.

I believe I am responding to the public wish at the same time that I follow my own feelings of the high[illegible] and confidence in the Empress, by designating her as Regent. Actuated by the same feeling, I designate, she failing, as her successors in the Regency the French Princes in order of hereditary succession to the Crown.

I have also wished to provide for the case where night arise as regards the Council of Regency from the alternatives given by the Senatus-Consultum of the 17th of July. Consequently, I have established a Privy Council, which, with the addition of two French Princes nearest in the line of hereditary succession, will become the Council of Regency from the sole fact of the accession of the Emperor a minor, if at that moment I should not have established another by public act. This Privy Council, formed of men who enjoy my confidence, will be consulted on the great affairs of the State, and will prepare itself by the study of the duties and necessities of a Government for the important task which the future may have in reserve for it.

Whereupon, I pray God to have you in His holy keeping. NAPOLEON.

PALACE OF THE TUILERIES, Feb. 1, 1858.

The message was accompanied by letters patent, couched as follows:

NAPOLEON, by the grace of God and the national will, Emperor of the French, to all present, greeting:

Being desirous of putting a stop at once to any doubts which may result from the *Senatus-Consultum* of the 17th of July, 1856, and of giving to our well-beloved spouse, EUGENIE, marks of the high confidence we repose in her, we have resolved to confer upon her, and do confer upon her by these presents, the title of Regent, to bear the said title and to exercise the functions thereof from the day of the accession of the Emperor as minor, in conformity to the regulations of the *Senatus-Consultum* on the Regency.

We charge our Minister of State to communicate the present letters to our Keeper of the Seals, to be inserted in the *Bulletin des Lois*, and also to the Presidents of the Senate, of the Legislative Corps, and of the Council of State.

Done at our Palace of the Tuileries the 1st of February, 1858. NAPOLEON.

Countersigned, ACHILLE FOULD.

His Excellency then read the following decree, establishing the Privy Council:

NAPOLEON, by the grace of God and the national will, Emperor of the French, to all present and future, greeting.

We have decreed and do decree as follows:

ART. 1. A Privy Council is established, which will meet under the Presidency of the Emperor.

ART. 2. The Privy Council will become, with the addition of the two French Princes nearest in line of succession, a Council of Regency, in case the Emperor should not have designated another by public act.

ART. 3. The following are appointed members of the Privy Council:

His Eminence Cardinal MOSLIN.
His Excellency Marshal Duke of MALAKOFF.
His Excellency M. ACHILLE FOULD.
His Excellency M. TROPLONG.
His Excellency Count DE MORNY.
His Excellency M. BAROCHE.
His Excellency Count DE PERSIGNY.

ART. 4. Our Minister of State is charged with the execution of the present decree.

Done at the Palace of the Tuileries the 1st of February, 1858. NAPOLEON.

Countersigned, ACHILLE FOULD, Minister of State.

This communication was received, says the *Moniteur*, with repeated shouts of "*Vive l'Empereur!*"

The President then said:

The Senate takes note of the documents which have just been communicated to it, and, conformable to Art. 7 of the *Senatus Consultum* of the Regency, the Senate ordains that the Message, as well as the documents thereunto annexed viz., the letters patent and the decree appointing the Privy Council—shall be placed among the archives.

The meeting broke up amid renewed cries of *Vive l'Empereur!*"

### Second Escape of the American Clipper Adriatic from French Custody.

From the following paragraph, which we clip from the Paris Correspondence of the London *Globe*, we infer that Captain DURHAM, of the bark *Adriatic*, has again eluded the vigilance of the French authorities, and has made his second escape from captivity:

"You have already heard how that maritime Jack Sheppard, Captain DURHAM of the *Adriatic* clipper, has broken loose again, and is once more over the waters of the dark blue sea. Count CAVOUR telegraphed to the authorities at Marseilles and Toulon his arrival in the Gulf of Spezzia, whence the French war steamers dragged him to Genoa, the weather being too stormy to proceed further. It would appear that they relied on the Genoese Captain of the Port for safe custody, and the port Captain on the French; but between them, amid the squalls and darkness, the clipper crept out at night, and, dashed off in a smart and clever style. LEVER tells of a Tipperary peasant, when asked to pay for prayers for his son, who had come to grief, saying, 'My, boy, when alive, broke out of every jail in Munster, and he won't stay long in purgatory.'"

### The Departure of the Prince and Princess of Prussia from England.

*From the London Times, Feb. 3.*

The point at which the Princess Royal bade her long farewell to English ground was the Terrace-pier, Gravesend. The approach to this is one of the best in the town; the open space or avenue by which it is inclosed is amply spacious; while the extent of the pier itself not only permitted the idea of a small procession to be entertained and carried out, but even afforded accommodation for a brilliant assemblage of spectators. Perhaps the only drawback was, that even under the most skillful arrangement its accommodation, after all, was limited, while the claims upon the Gravesend Corporation for tickets of admission to its seats exceeded the capacity of all the united pierage along the Thames. Beyond this failing, which, however, it possessed in common with every other place that could be named, the Terrace-pier was all that could be wished, and the officials of Gravesend, with most loyal zeal and admirable taste, had done their utmost to adorn it. It was carpeted with red cloth along the path actually reserved for the procession, and had sloping rows of seats on each side. The walls were hung with white banners, having alternately the initials of the bride and bridegroom in gold and black and long garlands of evergreens, intermixed with artificial flowers, which varied the effect in the most light and graceful manner. Every point of the roof from which bunting could be hung or draped was charged with such an assemblage of parti-colored banners of all peoples and nations as were probably never gathered together before, and the effect of which, in contrast with the red and white groundwork, was brilliant in the extreme. At the end a broad banner, in which was worked the simple word "adieu" in variegated flowers, stretched quite across the pier, the opening towards the river being closed in with scarlet draperies, which shut out the raw inclement aspect beyond, and shed a genial and much-needed look of warmth upon the interior.

It was arranged, in order to leave the streets clear for the Royal *cortège*, that all the places on the Terrace-pier were to be occupied before 12½ o'clock. After that hour none were admitted. The most terrifying rumors were afloat as to the Draconian rigor with which this rule would be adhered to, and this, much more than anything else, has the effect of bringing visitors early to their places. By 11 o'clock many had arrived, and from that hour they continued to pass beneath the draped entrance of the pier in rapid succession. As they occupied their seats, and all the spaces allotted to them were filled, the pier presented a most gay and brilliant aspect, which increased as the time wore on, and uniforms and corporate robes were mixed with the rich array of ladies' costumes. Soon after 11 o'clock the Guard of Honor of the Royal Marines, with their fine band, took up their position in front of the pier entrance from Harmer-street. The Mayor of Maidstone, with his massive badge and chain of office, was the next arrival of importance. He was followed by the Mayor of Rochester; next came the Recorder of Rochester, with the Mayor of Gravesend, (Mr. TROUGHTON,) and the members of the Town Council and the Aldermen of the borough. Colonel EDEN, Commandant of the Chatham Garrison; Colonel KELLY, Commandant of Tilbury Fort; Colonel SANDHAM, Commandant of the Royal Engineers; Colonel PARKER, of the Royal Marines; and Brigade-Major GORDON were also present, with a number of engineer officers from Chatham.

Perhaps, however, the most interesting arrivals were those of the 58 young ladies who were to strew the flowers under the feet of the young bride. They were all uniformly attired in light white dresses, with mantles of blue, trimmed with swan's down, and on their heads a wreath of drooping lilies of the valley. With much good taste the young ladies selected for this graceful act of homage to the Princess were nearly all children, and their faces were radiant with delight, partly in anticipation of their pleasing duties, and perhaps also in recollection of the conspicuous and striking feature which they themselves formed in the tableau. The Mayor's daughter, an exceedingly pretty and interesting child, came laden with a magnificent bouquet, which she was specially charged to present to the bride.

At about 1½ o'clock news arrived that the Royal train was at the station, and all was bustle and excitement. The small procession of the town authorities was arranged in all its minute distinctions as to grade, and with a proper difference as to place between the "Oarsmen of Rochester and Sergeant-at-Mace of Maidstone." The fifty-eight little nymphs, too, each now carrying an exquisitely shaped open basket, filled with cut flowers, were arranged on both sides of the path down the centre of the pier, and waited with impatience for the moment when they were to scatter their scented offerings before the young couple. They had not long to wait. The cheers came nearer and nearer, till at last the heavy curtains which screened the entrance to the pier was thrown back, and the *cortège* was seen descending the hill towards the entrance. Viewed from this point the little procession had a most curious effect as it moved on, apparently set in a framework of flowers and evergreens, and amid such a cheering and waving of hats and handkerchiefs as has seldom greeted even English Royalty before.

At the pier they were received with the usual salute from the Guard of Honor, and the first carriage instantly after drew up at the entrance. From it alighted Prince FREDERICK WILLIAM, of Prussia, who immediately assisted his bride to descend, and after the Royal couple came the Prince Consort and the Prince of Wales. In compliance with some stentorian injunctions issued just before the advent of the Royal party there was very little cheering on the pier itself, and the good taste of this arrangement among such a number of people, in such a comparatively confined space, was obvious. Still, however, it could not altogether prevent the cheese which greeted the bride as she stood leaning on her husband's arm. Her face was slightly flushed as if with the excitement of the scene, and, with her eyes red and swollen, as if from weeping, she courtesied with a stately grace peculiarly her own, in return for the deep reverences which welcomed her, and seemed, though self-possessed, to look around with something of a feeling of timidity and hesitation. Her Royal husband was, of course, received with a most marked welcome, which he seemed to feel, though, as usual, he always left his bride to receive the ovations offered, and watched her every moment with the most affectionate solicitude. Prince ALBERT, the Prince of WALES, Prince ALFRED and the Duke of CAMBRIDGE stood behind the young bride and bridegroom, observing the greeting they received evidently with feelings of the deepest interest and gratification. As soon as the first bustle of the arrival was over, the town clerk advanced and presented the address of the Mayor and Corporation with a few words so muttered as to be inaudible to all, perhaps, except the Royal bridegroom, who accepted the address, but acknowledged it no further than by bowing

This ceremony over, the Mayor's little daughter, Miss LIZZIE TROUGHTON, advanced, and with a simple childish grace that was inexpressibly winning, presented the Princess with her bouquet. Her Royal Highness smiled and courtesied as she took it. She had already a magnificent one in her hand, but this was instantly given to Prince FREDERICK WILLIAM, while she herself carried that given her by Miss TROUGHTON. Preceded then by the procession of the local authorities, to which no one vouchsafed a single glance, the Royal party moved down the pier. The yards of all the vessels of the flotilla were manned, and as the Princess with her husband stepped upon the gangway leading to the Royal yacht the cheers were deafening. Once the Princess half turned and looked back upon the pier, at all the windows of which hats and handkerchiefs were waving, and then, slowly entering the saloon on the quarter-deck, was seen no more.

The Royal party waited on board nearly three-quarters of an hour, during which all on the pier stood in anxious expectation watching the scud of snow which drifted past and the heavy banks of clouds that seemed to rest upon the very water. The interval was occupied by the sailors of the Royal yacht in shipping an almost fabulous quantity of baggage with characteristic glee and rapidity, and by some speculative boatmen, with inimitable coolness, in landing a crowd of persons on the lighter to which the Royal yacht was moored, and allowing the mob to peer into its saloons for the small charge of one penny. These cool intruders, however, were soon removed.

The same interval also afforded an opportunity for a display of seamanship on the part of one of the vessels of the Royal squadron, which concluded a short series of manœuvres by running its bowsprit through one of the cabin windows of the Royal yacht. At last it was announced that the Royal party were returning after having lunched on board the vessel. None, however, were quite firm in their faith in this assertion, and more or less suspected that the heavy time had passed in the long parting interview between the young bride and her father and brothers. Such was indeed the case, and the emotion exhibited by the Royal party on their return on deck showed how deeply affecting the farewell had been. On this, however, we need not dwell. Every heart can sympathize with them, not as rulers and Princes, but as with a father who parts from his eldest child, with young brothers who see their sister leave them for the first time, and cast her lot forever in a land of strangers. The Prince Consort was grave, but composed, though the effort which it cost him to maintain an appearance of serenity was visible to all. With less self-command the Prince of Wales and Prince ALFRED made little attempt to conceal their grief, and the latter especially wept with all that bitterness which marks the affliction of the young

With the Royal party came the bridegroom, and as the Prince Consort left he again warmly shook him by the hand, the Princes doing the same. All then quitted the vessel, and remained standing at the head of the gangway, while the Royal yacht cast off her hawsers and prepared to start. The Prince had stood till then watching with anxious eyes the movements of the yacht, when suddenly he seemed to remember something, or to wish to return and bid those on board once more good bye. He had half proceeded down the gangway with this intention, when there was another display of seamanship on the part, as it was said, of some other vessel of the squadron, which, apparently with the most cool intent, ran smash into the Terrace-pier, shaking it almost to its foundation, and smashing her own paddle-box to pieces. The shock was violent, and the Prince himself was so startled as to hasten back up the gangway, which, like a bridge, led from the yacht to the pier. This incident evidently caused him to abandon his intention of going on board again, and the Royal yacht began to cast off, and swing with her head towards the centre of the river. As the paddles went round the quick flashes of broad red flame through the snow-storm, followed by the sullen boom of cannon, showed that old Tilbury was at last saluting for the departure. The Prince Consort waved his hat to the Royal bridegroom again and again, but kept his composure, but not so did the young Princes, whose grief seemed only redoubled by the tokens of farewell around them. Neither could conceal his sorrow, and neither tried to do so, but stood brushing away the tears from their eyes, and still watching the Royal yacht, till, as her distance from the shore increased, Prince ALFRED fairly hid his face in his handkerchief and sobbed as if his heart was breaking. On such an occasion there were not many who could resist the contagious influence of a sorrow so innocent and so sincere, and there were few who looked with dry eyes upon this scene at the departure of the daughter of England. At last the Prince Consort turned, and, waving his hand to his young son-in-law as he did so, prepared to return. Something like a procession was again formed, and the Royal party returned as before, with the last echoes of the saluting guns still wringing in their ears, and the Royal yacht still close at hand, but fast disappearing into the snowstorm and banks of heavy clouds that hung over the water. The Prince Consort with the Princes entered the carriage almost instantly, and amid the most tumultuous demonstrations of loyalty from the crowd outside. At that time the Prince of Wales had regained his composure, but the tears were still almost visible in Prince Alfred's eyes. The same enthusiastic welcome which marked the arrival of the Royal *cortège* greeted its departure.

### The Leviathan Afloat.

*From the London Globe.*

The heavy rain which fell on Saturday night had a beneficial effect in changing the direction of the wind, and yesterday morning the weather broke fair, and the wind was everything that could be desired. Early in the morning the auxiliary steam-engine on board got up her steam and set to work pumping the water out of the compartments, the monster spurting it out of her sides and through her paddle-wheels, like some huge stranded whale blowing out its columns of water. The hydraulic presses were set to work, and the great bulk, without much difficulty, was pushed down some eight or ten feet to the end of her ways, and at a quarter to 2 o'clock, as the tide was running up, Mr. BRUNEL announced the welcome news that she was afloat. Up went the Admiralty flag at the foremast funnel, the Union Jack at the stern, and for the first time the *Leviathan* had the right to be called "a ship." Then rang forth a cheer from gangs of workmen, from assembled thousands on each side of the river, which one would have thought must have been heartily welcome to Mr. BRUNEL. Not so, however, thought the imperturbable engineer bawled out through his speaking-tubes for the crowd to "hold their noise," but they were as difficult to manage as the big ship had been, and it was only when they had grown somewhat hoarse that their voices subsided into silence. In point of fact, the cheering of the spectators and of the workmen interfered with the transmission of orders, which at this critical moment it was most important should be rapidly and distinctly understood.

For upwards of an hour after the ship was afloat the attention of Captain HARRISON was directed to removing the fetters and chains which had so long been worn by the *Leviathan*, and clearing away the cradles in which she had slumbered. The front part of the aft cradle on the river side came away *en masse*, and was towed to a distance by one of the fleet of tug-steamers in attendance on the ship. On the land side the timbers of the cradles parted from each other. The breaking up of these cradles presented one of the most striking features of the proceedings of the day. As soon as the weight of the ship was fairly off the timbers, the heads of which were kept down below the water by the pressure, each massive baulk floated by its buoyancy, and rose in some cases 20 or 30 feet, and then toppled over with a tremendous splash. Sometimes the massive timbers shot up in groups of twos and threes, which sported awhile amid the wreck around them, as though they were rejoiced to be rid of the iron monster which had so long weighed them down, while others rose up timidly, as it were, peered curiously around, and then floated away.

Standing on the deck of the huge ship, towering high above the dwarfed looking craft in the river, and overlooking half of the metropolis, the river dotted with hundreds of wherry boats, and the tug steamers swarming around the ship, throwing up their clouds of dark black smoke, a scene of extraordinary excitement was presented to the observer. Then far and wide, borne on the air, came the sound of chimes and bells of churches and chapels, and then the falling and clank of ponderous chains, which one by one were loosed and fell away from giddy heights around the ship; there was the noise of orders conveyed by the stentorian lungs of Captain HARRISON, magnified a hundred-fold through the speaking trumpets; then Mr. PROWSE, the chief officer, echoed in a voice of thunder some unintelligible words of command, and a hundred men rushed instinctively to fulfil it, some gliding down chains and ropes with a contempt for neck and limb which made the blood run cold, some armed with sledges and hammers, such as Vulcan might have wielded. A barge, which had some of the hauling apparatus on board, got entangled in the starboard paddle-wheel of the ship almost immediately after she was afloat, and rather interfered with her progress until a mechanic nobly daring, armed himself with an axe, and jumping aboard, hewed a hole in the side of the barge, let in the water, and scuttled her. "Go ahead!" now shouts the captain; the steam tugs strain; the hawsers grow rigid as iron bars; the ship once more moves; the old familiar yard, which was her birthplace, recedes imperceptibly, and with the slowest possible progress, only seen by watching intently the spires and tall chimneys on shore, or the motionless masts of the shipping afloat, the centre of the river is gained. From this point 100 men work the tremendous capstans at the fore, and haul the ship to her mooring. Steamers, low down to the water's edge with their freight of passengers, cheer lustily; the people on deck give a returning shout; BRUNEL is complimented again and again; Captain HARRISON is congratulated; Mr. YATES, the Secretary, looks smiling; Mr. HOPE, the Chairman, appears animated; prospects of dividends brighten the faces of a few of the largest shareholders; TROTMAN'S face beams with a refulgent smile, as they make the good ship fast to his unyielding anchors; HOWLETT has taken his last magnificent photograph on board the ship, with a portrait of the Chairman of the Company in the foreground; HOBBS is as happy as though he had picked the most intricate lock in Christendom; there is a general shaking of hands all round, and, thanks to that able commissariat officer, TROTMAN, a leviathan round of beef and the contents of a well-assorted hamper afford a grateful and welcome opportunity of making the first meal in the big ship, which, rough though it be, is not beneath the notice of the Marquis of STAFFORD, Lord DUFFERIN, Mr. C. E. STEWART, of the London and Northwestern Railway, and other persons of note, whose interest in the undertaking has attracted them to Millwall.

The ship now lies at her moorings, just her own length from the spot on which she was built, in 19 feet at low water, although she draws at present only 14 feet by the bows, and 16 feet six inches by the stern.

The *Leviathan* will probably remain at her moorings for three months, while completing her interior and other fittings, and during a portion of this time it is expected the public will be admitted under certain regulations to view her.

### An English View of the Anarchy in Mexico.

The London *Times*, in its city article, speaking of the claims of the English creditors of Mexico, makes the following observations: In the recent Speech of the Queen of Spain, says the *Times*, a formal announcement was made that the intervention of Great Britain and France has been accepted in the dispute with Mexico, and it will be for the respective Cabinets to consider whether *they can properly take any steps that may modify the fate of such a country* without recognizing an obligation to see that their interference shall not work injustice to existing private interests. Mexico has now arrived at a point at which any convulsion may improve the prospect of her foreign creditors. In the present state of things they can have no hope, and their great dread, therefore, must be lest it should be perpetuated. *If some* new military dictator were to arise, *or the country were to be absorbed without more delay by the United States, their treatment could not be worse, and it might, especially in the latter case, be much better.* Hence, if England and France concert *measures to sustain the existing authorities* by averting the extraordinary changes that would infallibly result from a war with Spain, they are bound in equity to provide that the assistance thus given shall not enable the Mexican Government to continue with impunity their disregard of every obligation and to shut out from their European bondholders the last possibility of a favorable turn. As to the bondholders insisting upon having the unappropriated lands of the republic assigned to them as indemnity, and afterwards negotiating with the British Government for the transfer of the territory thus acquired, no plan could be more delusive. In the first place, how are the bondholders to "resist?" and in the next, there is not a statesman who would wish to see Great Britain hamper herself with an inch of Mexican ground. *Let the United States, when they are finally prepared for it, enjoy all the advantages and responsibility of ownership, and our merchants at Liverpool and elsewhere will be quite content with the trade that may spring out of it.* The capacity of the Mexican population for appreciating a constitutional rule is not so remarkable that we should volunteer to administer it. All that can be considered advisable is that if President COMONFORT is to be helped by the good offices of England and France a course should be taken, similar to that lately enforced at Montevideo, to secure that the portion of Customs' dues solemnly and voluntarily pledged to the bondholders shall no longer be embezzled.

### The Anticipated Departure of the Mormons from Utah.

*From the London Times.*

Two directions for the anticipated flight of the Mormons have been recently suggested. The Russian dominions on the Western coast would insure their safety from American pursuit, and the Provincial Government might probably welcome a body of industrious and thriving colonists; but there would be an insuperable difficulty in the exchange of the whips of the President for the scorpions of the Czar. There is no instance in which any community using the English language has submitted to foreign dominion. Russia includes a large German population within the limits of her Empire; Austria coerces reluctant subjects in Italy; France has long counted Alsace and Lorraine among her provinces; Germans, Italians, Spaniards, Dutchmen and Frenchmen live under the British sceptre; but Russian despotism and English or American individuality would be found essentially incompatible. A more attractive field for new settlements is offered in the South. The Mexican Republic would be unable, or perhaps unwilling, to refuse a welcome to the fugitive Mormons; and the United States would rejoice in the opportunity of converting enemies or rebels into pioneers. Any Anglo-American settlement in the Spanish portion of the Continent must, from the first, be virtually independent. The "Prophet" who has set President BUCHANAN at defiance, would assuredly pay but little regard to the authority of President COMONFORT. Time alone can show whether the sect contains within itself any element of permanent vitality. The monstrous institution of polygamy is so repugnant to European feelings that it will probably be abandoned when it has lost the attraction of novelty. Since the death of JOSEPH SMITH's forgery, the creed of the saints has differed little from that which has prevailed in several enthusiastic sects. Immediate inspiration and daily Providential intervention, are characteristics of new and aggressive religious organizations. The prophecies of Utah may hereafter shade off, by imperceptible gradations, into the chronic somnolency of [illegible]

The difficulty of the United States consists not in the excision of this particular ulcer, but in their constitutional incapacity to assimilate heterogeneous elements. In the theory of the Republic some at least of the ordinary tendencies of mankind have been left out of consideration. Religion and fanaticism in their relation to politics, habitual subordination and obedience to superiors, disturb, wherever they are found, the working of the system. The alarm caused by the organization of the Roman Catholic Church gave rise to the Native American Party. The Mormon hierarchy is even more incompatible with the uniformity of a Democratic Constitution. The great Federation will easily triumph over the present difficulty, and it may find means for removing successive anomalies as they become visible, but it will not pass through the ordeals which await it without considerable change in its own character and organization.

### More Brutal Treatment on board an American Ship.

A correspondent of the Manchester *Guardian* writes: At the Magistrates' Court, Sunderland, on Friday, JOHN WILLIAMS, third mate of an American vessel, the *Silver Star*, now in the docks at Sunderland, was charged by CHRISTOPHER B. ANDERSON, a young Norwegian, with unlawfully assaulting and beating him on the 27th January. The ship was in the docks unloading her ballast. The complainant was working at the hoist tub, but at supper hour he left for a short time to get his meal, and whilst doing so the prisoner insisted on his attending to the tub immediately, but he declined doing so, on account of its being laying-off time. The prisoner then became very violent, and struck at the complainant several times, and then seizing him by the hair dragged him along the vessel, at the same time hitting into his face with terrible force until he caused the blood to flow like a "stuck pig." The complainant's face was very much swollen and black from the effects of this treatment. The prisoner acknowledged that he had committed the assault, but that complainant's refusal to comply with his wishes was the cause of his conduct towards him. The Mayor observed that this was a most brutal and savage attack, and the bench were not yet fully decided whether they should commit the prisoner for trial at the assizes. It was high time to put a stop to such cases of brutality, which had of late been so frequent. He would have thought the cases of Captain ROGERS and others would have been sufficient to deter seamen from the committal of such atrocities, but it appeared otherwise. However, they were determined to deal severely with all such cases which might be brought before them, and it mattered not whether they were English or American seamen, they should be alike dealt with. The prisoner was ordered to stand down a short time until the bench had finally decided, which, being done, the Mayor said that they had determined not to send the prisoner for trial, although he deserved it, but in the hope that he would not again be guilty of such disgraceful conduct, they should inflict a fine of £5, and in default of payment to be committed for two months to hard labor. The fine was subsequently paid, and the witness left the Court.

### The American Horse-Tamer.

*From the Illustrated London News.*

The American horse-tamer has been busy during the week at the Royal Mews, and on Tuesday he completely mastered a wicked little mare of Lord DERBY's, to the great delight of her noble owner, who had hardly a quarter of an hour to wait before she was brought out by the magician, as docile as a lamb. He is an active looking man, of somewhat about 11 stone, and seems to ride and turn his pupils rather by an indication with his hand than by touching the rein. It remains to be seen whether the secret can be applied impromptu in the hunting-field to incorrigible "pullers" and "rushers." Mr. RAREY has determined to open a subscription list at ten guineas each for persons desirous of learning the new method, and, when the subscribers amount to 500, classes will be formed to receive the necessary instructions, (under certain conditions to be agreed to at the time of subscribing,) at the riding-school of the Duke of Wellington, who has kindly placed the building at the disposal of Mr. RAREY. We have ourselves seen sufficient to be convinced of the humanity and efficaciousness of this mode of subjugating one of our most useful animals, and believe that very soon the plague of a restive and unable horse will be unknown.

### Rest or No Rest—The Observance or Non-Observance of the Sabbath.

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

The practical question which underlies the recent movements for Sunday observance, is virtually this: Shall we have Rest or no Rest? A holy day or a holiday? An American Sabbath or a European Sunday? The alternative has been thrust upon the friends of good morals by the persistent and shameless violation of the laws of the State, and of the rights of its citizens. There cannot be a doubt as to the issue; for with all the activity of an unscrupulous Press, and the power of selfish and debasing passions, considerations of true interest, and civil and social necessity, to say nothing of moral and religious obligations, will constrain the masses, in the end, to assert their *right* to a day of rest. And they will learn that that right can only be secured by recognizing the corresponding obligation to exercise it for their own and the general good.

The law of periodical rest is written indelibly on the nature of man and beast. The stoutest frame will succumb under the pressure of uninterrupted toil. The strongest intellect will give way at length if urged onward to ceaseless effort. It is no arbitrary enactment of the Decalogue, or of human statutes, that requires one-seventh part of time to be devoted to other than ordinary secular work. And when the masses come to understand that the Christian Sabbath is, in truth, "the bulwark of labor against the encroachments of capital;" and it is only in countries where it is observed as a holy day, and not a holiday, that the laboring classes are secure of its benefits—then the *Vox Populi* will echo the *Vox Dei*. "Remember the Sabbath-day, to keep it holy."

The fact should be known and considered, that the dependent and laboring classes on the continent of Europe—overworked and poorly paid, at best—are virtually robbed of a day of rest, that they may minister to the pleasures or the selfishness of the wealthier classes. Tradesmen and mechanics, and servants toil and sweat seven days in a week to meet the wants of a class who feast and frolic on Sunday, but without any more wages than they would have for six days labor, if they had and would keep a Sabbath. And so it would be here, if the false friends of the workingmen could once break down the barrier to selfishness which our Sabbath laws and customs have set up.

So important is this consideration, that we cite some notes of foreign travel, confirming the observation of every unprejudiced tourist in Europe.

An English gentleman visiting the baths of Schwalbach, Germany, informed one of the attendants, that for the sake of giving the opportunity of rest, his bathing-room would not be required on Sunday. "I wish all the people would think that way, Sir," exclaimed the surprised attendant; "I have not been to church for eleven Sundays, and have had to work the whole day; they forget what we most want." The writer adds, "These words struck me much. '*They forget what we most want.*' You may take them as a clue whereby you may understand a Sabbath on the continent. After a careful observation and experience in foreign cities, I am justified in this conclusion "*The Sunday is a day of leisure to the moneyed classes of society, to whom all must be made easy and a day of toil to the poorer.* To the richer, classes it is a gala day; but to those who have to provide the dress, pleasures and excursions of those above them, *it is a time when their labors are more in demand than on any day of the week.*

Sunday is the day for the finest performances at the theatres and operas. It is the day for [illegible] and balls. You may easily imagine, therefore, what an amount of labor is required, and especially when [illegible] to the day [illegible] thought. Young people are plying their needles on Sabbath mornings, to complete the gay robe for the evening. Laundresses are commonly seen carrying through the streets articles of apparel. Printers and bill-posters are engaged in announcing the amusements of the evening. Shoemakers are finishing dress boots; boys are carrying them home. Tailors are bending over fashionable vests. The chief market of the week is held on the Sunday morning. Cooks, in the public kitchens, are busier than usual. Confectioners and decorators are pressed with labor. A carpenter in [illegible] be would be grateful for any law that would exempt him from toil on the Sabbath. An eminent physician in Bonn told me, that so numerous were the private and dancing parties on the Sunday evenings in Germany, that in hundreds of houses the servant girls were so harried that they could only catch a moment to eat their food as they stood. The most painful thing about this is, that there is not the least disposition evinced to any injustice being done to the suffering fellow in this state of things."

The amount of it all is, that the so-[illegible] principle works well enough for the [illegible] but terribly for the poorer laboring classes. It would be so here—only that here, as in Europe, there can be no sound state of public or private morals, among rich or poor, without the day of sacred rest. And here, sooner than in the Old World, social and political institutions would degenerate and be overwhelmed by the corruption of manners and profligacy of life consequent on the perversion and abuse of one of our richest blessings.

Workingmen of America! Will you have a Continental Sunday, with its toil, pauperism, dissipation and crime; or an American and a Christian Sabbath, with its rest and, [illegible] and Heaven's blessing on them all? Will you have Rest or no Rest?

"Hail Sabbath! thee I hail, the poor man's day.
On other days the man dares call his own,
At fairs and markets, int'rest, trade, or pleasure,
Te est his toilsome business, hunting, sport,
But on this day, emancipated from all
He shares the frugal meal with his family,
With these he loves he shares the heartfelt joy
Of giving thanks to God—not thanks of form,
A word and a grimace, but reverently,
With covered face, and upward contrite eye."

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## FROM WASHINGTON.

### Earnestness of the Kansas Struggle—Whipping-in the Doughfaces—The Debate on the Army Bill—The War Department—Land Sales—The Witness Webster, &c.

*From an Occasional Correspondent.*

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1858.

During a thirteen years' experience I have never witnessed the discussion of any subject in Congress, in which the feelings of gentlemen were so deeply and earnestly enlisted as they are now in the question of the admission of Kansas with the Lecompton Constitution. The present is no contest "for Buncombe." The Anti-Lecompton men, at all events, look upon the question as one too grave for political speculation, and the slaves of party organization in one section, and the cowards of slavery in the other—who are determined to press on to their small scheme of *forcing* a protesting people into the Union—cannot conceal their anxious forebodings of the result. True, an exception must be made in the case of a few of the fire-eaters, who, with more prudence than their fellows, see the cloud, war which must follow the consummation of their present schemes, and for that very reason are fanning the flame, for the hope that the commotion will afford some opportunity for disunion. Southern conservatives, now so blind, may discover the intrigues in

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## NEW-YORK CITY.

**Dr. Bellows on the Causes of Crime.**—Last evening Rev. Dr. BELLOWS delivered, at Mozart Hall, the last of his Lowell Lectures on "Conditions and Crime." The house was quite well filled with a delighted audience. The subject of the evening was the "Causes of Crime." The lecturer commenced by enumerating the six causes that are given by Francis Bacon, but he thought them all reducible to the four following: Bad training, bad appetites, want and bad legislation. Everything which tends to degrade the family life tends to the production of crime, and to cure crime the first question must be how to improve the family condition of the poor. Much has been done for the Gipsy class, he said, by the effort to remove their children and place them in houses of correction, juvenile asylums, and the like. But to reach the class just above these is a more difficult matter. The effort must be to improve the homes they live in. Their settlements must be penetrated by airy streets. Landlords must be made responsible for the cleanliness of their tenants' houses. Tenement houses must be built of a decent, cleanly sort, and rooms furnished them at a moderate rent. The lecturer invited attention to the house in Mott-street, of just the sort indicated, which had proved a profitable investment to the builders, and a success in all respects. Below the class reached by any public schools is a class that always shrinks from notice. In this country it gets small consists of foreigners who have experienced that great calamity of emigration—the breaking up of ancestral habits imposed by living among acquaintances. This class is the mine from which most of our crime is quarried. How utterly the family relation is sometimes abolished is seen among the street-boys, some of whom are seen without a surname. Of late, attention has been more directed to this class, but the work is just fairly begun. To the vagrant children society should offer free schools, giving them a home, treating them not as under punishment, but as in keeping. It is training, not education in its popular sense, that is most needed—habits of industry, providence, thrift, moral and social training. Since the want of skill in some useful trade is a most serious cause of crime, some trade should be taught them. He thought it exceedingly doubtful whether the extension of the term of attendance upon the Common Schools to a period that interferes with the acquirement of some useful trade were not very objectionable. Certainly, the direction of so many lads into the learned profession was a grave error. Their greater opportunities of success and the increased hazard of failure to obtain an employment, accounted for the element in Society of so many educated men. Our Common School system ought to eke out the deficiency of family training, to develop the qualities of the heart, the moral, religious, and social affections. To effect this end, we must raise the whole social position of teachers—by increasing the number and efficiency of normal schools, making it their special business to teach the art of teaching—by increasing the number of teachers who now are too little kept in the country to be appreciated aright, and to use them to fewer concentrically—by putting the teaching of girls into the hands of girls, and perhaps that of girls into the hands of men.

Idleness next considered bad appetites as a cause of crime. Ninety per cent. of all criminals, probably, are intemperate. The Temperance movement has done much to diminish drunkenness. The lecturer thought the fallacies it furnished for social drinking, the debates it encouraged, and the compromises it fostered, substituted a wholesome excitement for that which it strove to abolish, and so far the temperance movement was a success. For drunkenness, in a certain sense, meets a want, and must be supplanted by some other supply for that want. The want is a want of interest in life; the need is of complacency in society and self-esteem; drink temporarily makes a more dignified and happy being, heightens the social qualities, warms the heart, and tends to reach the core of drunkenness, we must stimulate by knowledge coupled with hope of improvement; by position coupled with a prospect of increased influence and by innocent amusements. Education alone cannot remove brutish appetites. A sense of moral and religious condition is certainly a barrier against it, but the question is how to arouse that sense. Happiness alone is the radical cure for intemperance. We must improve the material condition—open a career to the humblest possible. It seems strange that men should, in view of the evils of intemperance, practice moderation. But moderation is abhorrent to the soul of man. Physically and morally their tendency is to crises. They would rather enjoy a moment of critical ecstasy, than sit a lifetime on the table-lands of prudent enjoyment. Temperance, not abstinence, is the great virtue. Abstinence is easier than temperance, but asceticism is practical and demoralizing. Whatsoever increases happiness promotes temperance. Better wages, cheap food, cheap fuel and light, are enormous lessons of crime. The supply of gas is a matter of great interest to philanthropists. Taxes on bread, oil and tallow, the late costliness of sugar, the scarcity of any of the necessities of life, are greatly to be deplored. Taxes should be levied, first, upon articles which have an immoral tendency, next, upon the luxuries of life, next, upon those articles which are in general use, yet are not necessaries, such as tobacco, tea, sugar; but there should be a direct tax, rather than heighten the cost of those things which are necessary to life. Cheap amusements, music, dancing, dramatic entertainments furnish another wholesome excitement to take the place of strong drink. The lecturer quoted, with much pleasure, he confessed, an extract from Mr. [illegible] which coincided entirely with his doctrine. He had seen it but lately, and was pleased to see that he was sharing the sentiments of the adept in the subject of crime. Licensing hand-organs, instituting cheap concerts, cheapening literature and newspapers, were all valuable means for conquering great excesses. During one of these late bleak days he had walked over the whole length of our great Central Park and he found infinite pleasure in contemplating its hopeful promises. It really looked like a gift of Heaven to us.

The lecturer would not sacrifice usefulness to fastidiousness and leave unnoticed our great social sin. To abate licentiousness the first point must be the removal of all obstacles to early marriage. The obstacles are the luxury of the upper classes, the extravagant expenditure for female dress, the lack of suitable tenements for small families in moderate circumstances which arises so many to hotels and boarding houses; next, women must be allowed a wider sphere of industry. She must be precisely as free as a man to the choice of a method of making a living. Her narrow round of domestic servitude and the needle must be enlarged. We do not ask society to repeal nature's edicts, but simply the capricious edicts of society. There is no reason why women should not reclaim all the light and indoor occupations—set type, gild, finish light cabinet work, as well as labor in factories, keep books, cut hair, keep shop, do in-door painting, decorate walls, gild silver letters. If she practice medicine she will have to do it in a womanly way, unless the opposition of men compel her to a masculine method of defending her course. We must invite woman back to the shop, that we may command sufficient manly labor for the field.

The third cause of crime is want and poverty. This, the lecturer said, had been already sufficiently treated.

The fourth was bad legislation. The effort of Governments to encourage true religion by enactments had fearfully increased hypocrisy and perjury. The lecturer dwelt a moment on the predominence of England for this very cause. The usury laws had increased usury, because men had not only to buy money at its increased value when criminally insurable, but to pay in addition for the risks the usurer incurred. He alluded to the increase of crime, that the game laws, the laws of divorce and primogeniture had produced. Nowhere was there so little crime compelled by statute and unjust legislation as in this country, and yet the protection of negro Slavery by Government has had a terrible influence by causing the enactment of unjust statutes which have their only necessity in the defence of slave property. Such bad laws propagate the principle of disloyalty, which spreads downward with fearful rapidity. For resistance to unjust laws heads resistance to just ones. Just and mild laws have a large share in preventing crime. There is nothing more certain than a decrease of crime or a decrease of severity in the penal codes. The lecturer glanced at the impolicy of capital punishment while public sentiment maintains its present attitude of hostility to it. When he commenced the investigation of this point he believed in capital punishment, but as he progressed he was obliged to accept another view. He alluded to the law's delays, especially in this City, and the tardy pace at which prisoners follow crime, reckoning them the fruitful parents of crime. He spoke in admiration of the prompt judgment of Judge RUSSELL, by which gangs have suddenly ceased to be heard of of months. The lecturer had only indicated his views on prison discipline. He believed that order, industry and comfort in prison might be compatible with the crimes they ever perpetrated. Society should regulate the term of imprisonment entirely by the time required to fit the convict again for society. It should educate him, by hard and instructive work, to self-control. Let the criminal class know that society is to be the judge and to measure the terms of their exclusion entirely by their fitness to mingle again with honest men, or even to imprison them for life if they never reform. With a few more remarks to this effect, and with [illegible] Dr. BELLOWS received his hearers' attention, Dr. [illegible] closed his series of lectures.

**Prof. Lieber on Political Economy.**—At Mozart Hall, Dr. LIEBER, on Wednesday evening, delivered his address of inauguration to a [illegible] in Columbia College. The first quarter hour was devoted to an eloquent historical sketch of the history of the Berlin University, and an argument for the equal necessity of such a university here. This was addressed to the Trustees of Columbia College, who occupied the platform. Turning to the audience, which about half filled the frozen hall, the Professor treated first of the office of the teacher, whose business it is to lead the pupil to the hill-top, and point out to him the paths he is to traverse, and the mountains he has to climb, to develop the manly character, to suggest knowledge. The best kind of education was that which comes upon the learner like a stream of light through a cloud—suggesting a sacred magnificent of something higher and yet to be learned. NAPOLEON the First, the master of the Rhetoric of the Camp, always irresistibly captivated his audiences, though not one in a hundred of them understood all he said. He wisely mixed his evocative suggestions with his potent truths. When before his army, not three-fourths of whom could read or write, he uttered that saying, "Four thousand years look down upon you from these pyramids." They only dimly saw his meaning, yet each one received a powerful distinct suggestion from it. Political science was the study of the social relations of man—of humanity, as it appears in Society. Society, said he, is a continuity, like a river. While one is pronouncing the word "Mississippi," between the utterance of the initial M and the final i, volumes of water have been poured out of the river named into the Gulf—yet it is the same river, and society is the same body to-day as yesterday, though meanwhile thousands have disappeared from the vast body that compose it, and thousands have been born. History teaches what has befallen society in the past. There is a historic instinct in man. Savages and *savans* love history alike, and the muse of history, whether we mean by that phrase the old Greek's or the modern Scholar's idea of the muse, is the most dignified of conceptions,—the history of crimes no less than of virtuous actions is dignified. History is the most nutritious pabulum to rear manly characters on. All men of action of any mark have loved it. CHATHAM in his half-hours—they were few—read Plutarch, and PITT at Cambridge copied out whole pages of the same strong, nutritious book. Did not the hearer in reading Motley feel as one in Rome when he turns from the street where the wine carts are creaking, and enters the Vatican, full of sculptured grandeur. The Professor did not omit mention of the few dangers of reading history; the peril of coming to love ruins and despising entire houses; of coming as VOLTAIRE did to reckon all great events as the offspring of trifles, as some claimed that the Reformation grew out of the loves of LUTHER for a certain nun, and the bloodiest wars out of a King's indigestion; or of embracing the other faith that a new leaf must be turned over, and that whatever has already happened must always remain in the past, and is never worthily repeated. History is of particular value to the people of the United States; for it promotes the institutional spirit. The Muse of History dwelt on Helicon, that beautiful mountain which looked down on Corinth and its gulf, crowded with commerce. So down from Helicon let us come, said he, and study commerce, which lies at its base. Let us consider the doctrine of Exchange. Man is always an exchanging being, as truly as he is always an æsthetic being. From the savage who rudely tattoos his skin to the patron of art who delights in the life-like statute by CRAWFORD, all instinctively love art. Instance, how every man places on the prow of his canoe or his ship some ornament, not certainly for use, but because there is an opportunity he cannot omit to gratify his sense of beauty. These instincts compel him to exchanges; for civilization is a very expensive thing. Man, with apparently great cruelty, is born infinitely more destitute than other animals. Others are *finding* animals—he must *produce* or go unsupplied. Again, while God has given man a greater capacity to enjoy, than to other animals, and consequently a greater range of wants, which are nearly uniform in all men, it is apparently cruel that the capacity of the earth to gratify these wants is very various. But, out of these imperative instincts, and the scattered positions of men upon the earth, comes the necessity for exchange. For example, all men's palates are delighted with the taste of sugar; and so universal is this experience that the word *sweet* in all languages has passed out of its material import and into the language of the affections. But how few countries produce sugar! So of cotton, by which we protect us from the weather, adorn us, and distinguish the competent from the poor; yet how few countries produce cotton. Again, our wants grow with cultivation—infinitely increase with the progress of civilization—so that they infinitely drive us on to exchange. On these three laws all our exchange is founded.

The Professor next inquired whether Political Economy was a fit subject for college teaching. Of all sciences, it had had the hardest fight for a place among its sisters. When Archbishop WHATELY, twenty-five years ago, delivered his lecture, introductory to a course on the subject, at Oxford, almost all of it was an apology for Political Economy. But the science, after all, is only a branch of moral science, and the two treat of the conduct of men in their two highest spheres—Religion and the State. A catechism of Political Economy ought to be taught not in the colleges only, but in the crowded Common Schools even. Does one object that it is too high a study for children? Christianity is a higher one, yet no one objects to teaching its catechism to infants. CICERO tells that he learned the Twelve Tables like a necessary formula. The Twelve Tables were the foundation of Roman Law. But these Romans were not people who sacrificed to logic and symmetry. These Romans, who knew how to conquer and to hold fast their conquests, and to sprinkle all their conquests over with flourishing municipalities, these stern and sterling Romans, who made war their business and farming their passion, were practical men—if any ever were; yet they taught their teachers to teach the Twelve Tables to their children. JOHN MILTON, who stood as high on the roll of men as Rome on the roll of nations, advised the study of Politics as part of a school-boy's education, "so that in a dangerous fit of the Commonwealth, they be not such poor, shaken, uncertain reeds, of such tottering conscience, as many of our great counselors have lately shown themselves, but steadfast pillars of the State."

The Professor here discovered that it was 9 o'clock—though he was yet only in the peristyle of the temple in which he worshiped. The audience, though half frozen, cried, "Go on." "Go on."

The Professor proceeded to outline the method that he preferred for teaching Political Economy. Man was to be regarded as an individual, and also as a social being; hence, he must be taught the twinship of Right and Obligation. If he insist upon his rights alone, he becomes a tyrant; if upon his obligations alone, he becomes the most abject of slaves. The study of his obligations includes his duties to the State, wherein he discovers the principles of political ethics, and the virtue of patriotism—not that idolatrous, false patriotism which says: "Our country right or wrong," nor bloated provincialism, but that patriotism which inspires one to die for his country, or, even what is still harder, to live for it. Next he would treat of Government itself, following naturally with a classification of all existing Governments. Next would be required a survey of all political literature—which, besides the speeches of statesmen, includes much sterling theology. Another branch of the same subject would be Utopiology—a history of the ideal systems of Government and the attempts that have been made to put them in practice. It would be competent here to show how Liberty first dwelt in cities, but as civilization grew, how it needed nations to ripen it, and how Christianity, by affecting the whole inner man, though its Author disclaimed all earthly or political power, became the greatest coefficient of Liberty. Incidentally, he would remark how uniformly all the Utopists were Communists as to property, under the mistaken idea that property was a creature of government; were favorable to community of wives—even CAMPANELLA, the Catholic priest, distinctly averred it; to a community of goods—warring so stoutly upon the Individual that they could not admit it even in the Godhead; to a community, especially, in money, forgetting that money only represents values, and that, though they abolished all money, values must still remain, and be as fatal to Communism as ever. Did they suppose because there is no money in Burmah that there are no misers there? It reminded him of Major JACK DOWNING's sage statement: "It is fearful cold down in Maine, and would be colder if the thermometer were longer." After all, he said, there is very little money in the world, and it is not possible that this little could do all the mischief ascribed to it. The next theme, naturally, would be Civil Liberty, the next Self-Government, and last of all International Law. He submitted it to his audience whether such a course of study as he had indicated were not likely to prepare the scholar better to perform his duties as a citizen.

The lecturer had spoken for nearly two hours. The natural dryness of the subject was scarcely apparent to his audience, he so constantly overflowed it with apt illustrations and pertinent apothegms. He spoke without notes, and his [illegible] quotations for his relics of 1 hour and 20 minutes. The audience did not more than half the assembly—it being somewhat difficult at a distance from the the platform to catch the speaker's words, while a company of boys on the outer tier of seats,—boys of that unfortunate age when they cannot safely be left at home, and yet are not old enough to behave well in company,—kept up a most annoying conversation which they had not the decency to utter in under tone.

President KING thanked the audience for their attention, and was happy to announce that the past lectures were but introductory to a course that the public might hope soon to enjoy.

**Who Shall Appoint the Police Commissioners—A Sensible Suggestion.**

*From the Sunday Atlas.*

It is contended, and not perhaps without some reason, that to give the power of appointing the Police Commissioners to the Mayor and Common Council, is calculated to make the whole Department the subservient tools of the Aldermen and Councilmen. At the time the present bill was under consideration the position was assumed that the Police might as well be in the hands of the devil as in the hands of Mayor WOOD and Judge RUSSELL, who were accused of using it for selfish and corrupt purposes. We may yet have corrupt Mayors, and still more corrupt Common Councils, and it is not likely that the control of the Police Department will again be placed in the hands of those officials from whom it has been wrested, or be left so that its direction can by any possibility be assumed by political demagogues and small lawyers, accidentally raised to official positions.

We can inform the Legislature how they can overcome this difficulty of finding good men upon whom to confer this power of appointing Police Commissioners, in such a manner as will prove satisfactory to nearly every tax-payer and citizen of this metropolis. Let the duty of appointing part of the Police Commissioners, at least, *devolve upon the Judges of our Civil Courts, tribunals that enjoy the confidence of our entire population. The Mayor, the Chief Justice of the Superior Court, and the First Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, could, we doubt not, appoint three proper men to superintend our police affairs.* Or, all the Judges o the Superior Court and the Judges of the Common Pleas, may meet in Convention as they do to appoint a Commissioner of Jurors, and select two Commissioners of Police, and let the Mayor be the third. The power of these appointments may be distributed in different ways. The Common Council, or the Board of Supervisors, or the people, may have the power to select one of the men, but we urge upon the Legislature, that the appointment of the majority of the Police Commissioners be placed in the hands of the Judges of the Civil Courts we have above mentioned.

It is, perhaps, impossible to place the Police Department entirely beyond the control of political influences. But let its control be placed in the hands of men who will not abuse their power, even if partisans are appointed to office. Can it be denied that this power will not be properly and beneficially exercised by such men as Judges DUER and DALY, and their able and upright associates. Nearly every department of our City government has become rotten and corrupt; but as yet, the breath of suspicion has not breathed one word against the integrity of the Judges of the Superior Court and the Court of Common Pleas; and the public will be entirely satisfied with any appointments they make. We call the attention of the Hon. GEORGE WEIR, Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Villages, to these suggestions, and trust that they will be carefully considered in the framing of the bill for the amendment of the present bungling and unwieldy Metropolitan Police Law, that for months has oppressed our citizens.

### Police Intelligence.

BURGLARS SHOOTING AT POLICEMEN—ESCAPE OF THE BURGLARS FROM THE POLICEMEN, AND THE POLICEMEN FROM INJURY.—About 3½ o'clock on Thursday morning, as officer Davis, of the Fifteenth Ward, was passing through McDougal-street, he noticed a light in the basement of the house occupied by George G. Gray, No. 23 McDougal-street, a few doors from Washington-square. He "piped" the place and discovered two men inside bustly engaged in packing goods into some bags. Satisfied that the men were burglars, he procured the assistance of officer Wells and returning with him to the house found one of the windows open. One of the officers put his head into the window and asked who was there, and immediately the parties inside turned off the gas. In a moment two men darted out of the basement door, each with a revolver in his hand. Seeing the officers, one cried out, "Shoot the fellows," and they quickly discharged three barrels at the officers, and then they took to their heels. The officers escaped uninjured, but having no weapons except their clubs, did not think it prudent to give chase. Officer Corsa soon after saw the burglars running, and started after them. He came close to them, when one of them turned and fired at him. The officer fell instantly to the pavement. He soon recovered, however,—when the burglars ran out of sight,—and discovered that, instead of being mortally wounded, his face was only scorched with powder. It is probable that neither of the revolvers contained bullets, and that the object of the burglars was only to frighten the policemen. On examining the basement of Mr. Gray's residence it was found that the burglar had managed to decamp with about $450 worth of jewelry and silver ware in their possession. They had packed up ready for removal nearly $2,000 worth of goods. Neither of the officers thinks he could identify the burglars.

PRIVATE WATCHMAN CHARGED WITH GRAND LARCENY.—A private watchman, named Philip Wightman, was arrested on Thursday, on a charge of grand larceny, preferred against him by Messrs. Windle & Co., one of the firms which suffered by the fire in Maiden-lane. The prisoner was found on the corner of West Broadway and Reade-street, with his pockets filled with plated knives, forks and spoons, which he is charged with having stolen from Messrs. Windle & Company's store during the fire. Justice WELSH committed him for examination on a charge of grand larceny.

The Grand Lodge of Masons, of Louisiana, has been in session at New-Orleans, some days in this month. Representatives were present from New-York, Vermont, and Alabama. R. F. McGuire is elected Grand High-Priest for the ensuing year.

The Tallahasee *Floridian* states an issue between the Governor of Florida and the Fernandina Railway Company. The former contends that a part of the Road is improperly located, and the Company decline to change the location.

Counterfeit bonds are in circulation at Boston. The *Traveller* has seen one for $1,000 on the Pennsylvania Coal Company, the coupons payable in New-York. The bond is handsomely engraved.

The Freemasons of Virginia have resolved to lend their aid to the contemplated purchase of Mount Vernon. Other Masons are invited to follow suit.

## LAW INTELLIGENCE.

### SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Hon. Justice Sutherland.

DECISIONS.

*Alex. Duncan et al.* vs. *J. C. McGregor.*—Motion granted, with $10 costs.

*C. E. Larned* vs. *Robert M. Masterton et al.*—Motion denied, with $10 costs.

*W. W. Bishop* vs. *Louis J. Doyle et al.*—Motion denied, with $10 costs.

### SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Hon. Justice Woodruff.

*Charles B. Wheeler* vs. *William Lake, impleaded.*—Motion granted. Cost of motion $7, to abide event.

Before Hon. Justice Hoffman.

*James S. Shuyter* vs. *Joseph Brice Smith.*—Order of Feb. 11 discharged, with $7 costs.

*Daniel Holsman* vs. *Jas. De Gray, assignee.*—Judgment for plaintiff on demurrer, with costs, with liberty to answer in 20 days.

*Henry W. Clark* vs. *The United States Trust Company.*—Judgment for defendant upon the demurrer, with costs.

*Kincaid* vs. *Ramsdall et al.*—Order to be drawn and settled on notice.

*Carnahan* vs. *The Same.*—A like decision.

*Hamilton* vs. *White.*—Case settled.

*Meserole* vs. *Archer.*—Case settled.

### A Slander Case—Verdict for Plaintiff.

MARINE COURT—FRIDAY, Feb. 19.

Before Judge Thompson and a Jury.

The case of Roswell Green *vs.* J. H. Hobart Brown, which was noticed in the TIMES some months ago, has been on again in the Marine Court. It will be remembered that Mr. Green charged Mr. Brown with having slandered him. Mr. Brown is a clergyman in Brooklyn, and at the time the alleged slanderous remarks were made, was rector of the "Free Church of the Good Angels," (P. E.,) and Mr. Green was a warden. In the former proceedings, according to Mr. Green's counsel, Mr. Brown applied to District-Attorney Hall to procure an indictment against Mr. Green, but that gentleman, on looking into the case, refused to send the matter before the Grand Jury, and said that if there was any charge against Mr. Green he should be taken before a magistrate, where he would have the advantage of an examination; accordingly, in July, 1857, the defendant's brother caused Mr. Green to be arrested and brought to the Tombs, and "the arrest of Roswell Green for perjury" was published in the papers. He was, however, admitted to bail. After several ineffectual efforts on the part of Mr. Green and his counsel to bring the case before the Grand Jury, in order that plaintiff's character might be vindicated, they succeeded, and the Grand Jury ignored the bill, and there the charge of perjury against him ended. Mr. Green now complains that in June, 1857, in the city of Brooklyn, the defendant, intending to injure and defame him, said to one Spencer D. C. Van Bok- [illegible] that he was a perjurer, and that the City of Brooklyn had paid for his services in Virginia, he went there in his (defendant's) behalf to procure certain mining lands, and that his (defendant's) brother (Charles E. Brown) furnished him with the funds to make the purchase, and that Mr. Green had purchased the lands in his own name, and was endeavoring to hold the property for his own benefit, and thus defraud his (defendant's) brother. Rev. Mr. Brown also said he was confident that Mr. Green's actions had been of such a nature that the proceedings his (defendant's) brother had instituted against Green would result in his being sent to the State Prison. The slander is also alleged to have been spoken to other parties, who were vestrymen of the same church.

For the defence it was set up that if the words were uttered they were spoken in consultation with a vestryman, and were used for the good of the church, and not for the purpose of slandering Mr. Green, but for the protection and benefit of the members thereof.

Several witnesses were examined, who testified to having heard Mr. Brown make remarks similar to those charged in the complaint.

The defendant put in evidence the summons, complaint and answer in the Supreme Court in an action between G. P. A. Rickards and others against Roswell Green and others—the complaint in that case alleging in substance that Green was about taking the land in Virginia in his own name, and praying for an injunction restraining him from so doing, and the injunction therein granted. The defendant also put in evidence a complaint against Green, in the suit in Supreme Court.

The arguments of counsel were closed on Thursday, and the case was given to the Jury to-day. Judge THOMPSON in charging the Jury remarked that the case was one of unusual interest, because of the prominent positions of the parties in the Church. It had been stated frankly by the plaintiff's counsel that it was not in the hope of pecuniary gain that the case had been brought into Court, but for the purpose of relieving his character from the consequences of unjust imputations. There was no dispute about the facts of the case; that the language complained of had been used, was not denied. It was, then, for the defendant to show that he was not actuated by malice. The onus was upon him to show that. Now how did he show that? It appeared that he not only uttered the slander, but gave it his indorsement. "He believed Mr. GREEN ought to be sent to the State Prison." His duty was to have gone to Mr. GREEN and told him of the charges against him, and heard his defence, before speaking of him in such terms.

At this point the defendant's Counsel interrupted by remarking that he was astonished to hear the Judge charge with such vehemence in favor of the plaintiff.

The Judge answered that he was astonished at hearing such a remark from such a source. Although he had spoken with some vehemence, he was, nevertheless, calm and deliberate. If what was stated about the defendant were true, he would be a felon; and that was a very serious charge to make against a man. If the defendant had uttered a slander, with a well-founded belief of its truth, from good motives, the Court would be sincerely glad if the evidence would justify the Jury in finding that there was probably cause for the defendant's uttering the words complained of.

The Jury retired, and after having been out for a short time, returned with a verdict for the plaintiff of $50.

**SURROGATE'S COURT.**—FRIDAY, Feb. 19.

There was no business of special importance in the Surrogate's Court. The Surrogate, Hon. E. D. WEST, having recovered from his recent illness, was present and able to attend to the duties of his office.

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

Permit me to correct an error, which I noticed in your paper of this morning, in relation to the Jobson case, before J. N. Whiting, on yesterday. I was not a party in that suit, nor was I there at the time. He has many suits for the purpose of getting his pretended claims legalized, as in the cases of Jobson *vs.* Burr, Jobson *vs.* Allen, Jobson *vs.* Sickles, Jobson *vs.* Grimm, Jobson *vs.* Roberts, Jobson *vs.* L. Lord, Jobson *vs.* Richardson, Jobson *vs.* Raymond, Jobson *vs.* Findley, besides others who have given him something for the sake of peace, rather than defend a suit at law.

J. ALLEN.

New-York, Friday, Feb. 19.

## MARKET REPORTS.

**Markets**...*Carefully reported for the New-York Times.*

New-York, Friday, Feb. 19, 1859—6 P. M.

RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE—Since noon of yesterday: 41 bbls. Ashes, 2,937 bbls. Flour; 20,809 bushels Corn; 100 bags Malt; 302 pkgs. Provisions, and 50 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Continue quiet at previous prices. Pots, $6 25; Pearls, $6 50 ⅌ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Is in good request at buoyant prices. Sales have been reported of 1,100 bags Maracaibo at 10⅝c.@12c., chiefly at 10⅝c.@11c., and 1,000 bags Rio at 10c.@11⅛c. ⅌ lb. We quote: Maracaibo at 10½c.@14c.; Rio, at 9¾c.@11¼c.; Bahia, at 9¾c.@10c.; and St. Domingo, at 8c.@9½c. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—Is pretty freely offered at yesterday's reduced prices; hence, it attracts considerable attention. Sales have been reported since our last of some 2,000 bales, including Middling at 11⅛c.@11⅜c. for Upland, and 11⅝c.@12c. for Gulf. ⅌ lb.

FISH—Dry Cod are in good demand and are quoted firm at from $3 25@$3 50¼ ⅌ cwt. Mackerel and Herring remain as last noticed.

GLOUCESTER FISH MARKET, Feb. 17—(For the week.) Mackerel—No transactions during the week, and but little inquiry; $10@$10 50 for Nos. 1 and 2 is about a fair quotation, though some are held at prices ranging higher, say $10@$10 50 for No. 1's. Codfish—George's Bank dry; no operations; holders are asking $3 62; some lares just arrived sold fresh at $1 20 ⅌ 100 lbs.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western flour opened tamely; but subsequently the demand improved and prices advanced a shade. Sales 12,500 barrels.

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| Common to good Superfine State | $4 20@ 4 30 |
| Extra State | 4 35@ 4 55 |
| Superfine Michigan and Indiana | 4 25@ 4 35 |
| Superfine Ohio | 4 30@ 4 35 |
| Fancy Ohio | 4 45@ 4 55 |
| Extra Indiana and Michigan | 4 35@ 5 00 |
| Extra Ohio | 4 75@ 5 50 |
| Fancy Genesee | 4 35@ 4 45 |
| Extra Genesee | 5 25@ 7 00 |
| Low to very choice Extra Missouri | 5 00@ 8 00 |

Canadian Flour is in fair demand, at former prices. Sales 750 bbls. superfine to good extra at $4 25@$5 50 ⅌ bbl. Southern is in better demand at higher rates. The transactions since our last comprise 1,600 bbls., in lots, at $4 75@$6 25 for low mixed to choice extra, ⅌ bbl. Rye FLOUR is quiet at old prices—$3@$3 87½ for fine to superfine ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is in fair demand, at former quotations: $3 for Jersey, and $3 50 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl. Buckwheat flour, $2@$2 25 ⅌ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—Wheat is inactive, parties disagreeing about prices. The supply is limited, and stiffly held. Some damaged Southern was sold at 75c. ⅌ bushel. Corn is in demand, at advanced rates. Sales 10,000 bushels new crop, at 66c.@67c. for Yellow Jersey; 70c. for Yellow Southern; and 70c. for White do., ⅌ bushel. A limited business has been transacted in Rye, at 66c. for Jersey, and 71c.@72c. for Northern, ⅌ bushel. Barley and Barley Malt are unchanged. Oats are salable and steady, at 45c.@46c. for Western; 43c.@46c. for State; 35c.@40c. for Jersey and Pennsylvania; and 38c.@39c. for Southern, ⅌ bushel.

HAY—Sales 500 bales North River, at 70c.@75c., cash, ⅌ 100 lbs.

HIDES—The demand has been very active this week, and an advance has been obtained of 2c. ⅌ lb. on Orinoco. The principal sales have been: 8,000 Dry Orinoco, 19c., 6 months; 2,000 Dry Orinoco, 19½c., 8 months; 3,500 Dry California, private terms; 1,000 Dry Southern, 10½c., cash; 1,000 Butchers' Association, 71, 7c., cash; 300 Country Slaughter, 68, 6¾c.@7c., cash.

HOPS—The demand continues moderate, at steady prices. Crop of 1857, 5c.@10c.; crop of 1858, at 2¾c.@23½c. ⅌ lb.

IRON—Is still rather sparingly inquired for at previous quotations; including Scotch Pig, $24@$26, cash, and $29 50@$27 50, usual credit.

LEAD—The demand is somewhat restricted, holders continuing to ask very full prices.

LEATHER—Sole is in pretty good demand, especially Hemlock tanned, at rather firmer prices. The week's movements have been as follows:

| SOLE. | Hemlock. | Oak. |
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| Receipts during the week—sides | 28,400 | 2,100 |
| Sales during the week—sides | 72,400 | 4,788 |
| Stock this evening—sides | 243,500 | 44,600 |

LIME—Rockland, 70c. for Common, and $1 15 for Lump, ⅌ bbl.

MOLASSES—The demand is moderately active, at full prices. New-Orleans, 28c.@30c.; Porto Rico, 24c.@26c.; Cuba Muscovado at 22c.@25c.; Clayed Cuba, new crop, 22c.@23c. ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Resin continues in fair request, especially Common, of which the reported sales comprise 1,450 bbls., at $1 45 ⅌ 310 lbs., delivered. Tar and Crude Turpentine are quiet, but very firm. Spirits Turpentine has advanced to 46c.@48c., cash, ⅌ gallon, with sales reported of about 1,200 bbls., to arrive and here.

WILMINGTON MARKET, Feb. 16.—Turpentine—Sales yesterday of 320 bbls. at $2 70 for Virgin and Yellow Dip, and $1 70 for Hard, ⅌ 280 lbs., and to-day 500 do. at same price. Spirits—Sales of 125 bbls. at 43c. ⅌ gallon. Resin—Sales of 300 bbls. at prices ranging from $2@$2 75 for No. 2 to low grade No. 1.

OILS—Linseed in good request and is worth 57c.@58c., cash, ⅌ gallon. Other descriptions are quiet, but steady, in this market.

PROVISIONS—Pork is depressed and languid. Sales 300 bbls., in lots, at $16 50@$17 for Mess., and $13 25@$13 50 for Prime, ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats are salable and firm, at 8¾c.@9c. for Hams, [illegible] Shoulders, [illegible] Bacon [illegible] Beef [illegible] Country Mess, [illegible] Prime Mess, [illegible] Prime, [illegible] Beef Hams, $17 @$18 ⅌ bbl. Lard is in good request, and firmer, at 8½c.@8¾c. ⅌ lb. Tallow is in good request, at former rates. Sales [illegible] Western Rendered, [illegible] Country, [illegible] Prime Mess, [illegible] Prime, $17 @$18 ⅌ bbl. Butter is in good request, at former rates. Sales [illegible] Ohio, [illegible] Western, [illegible] Cheese is in request, and is steady, at 6½c.@8½c. ⅌ lb.

Cincinnati, during the week ending Feb. 17, an active speculative inquiry prevailed for Hog products, and prices of all kinds advanced 50c.@$1 ⅌ cwt., closing lately. The Price Current of the 17th inst., says the receipts of Hogs during the past week have been light, and the packing season is now drawing rapidly to a conclusion. The Hogs now coming are light, and it is probable another week will about finish the season. The receipts for the week and the season now stand as follows:

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| Total for the week | 7,857 |
| Previously reported | 435,637 |
| Total for the season | 443,494 |
| Whole number packed in 1856-7 | 344,512 |
| Whole number packed in 1855-6 | 465,996 |
| Whole number packed in 1854-5 | 353,787 |
| Whole number packed in 1853-4 | 431,000 |
| Whole number packed in 1852-3 | 261,000 |

In Louisville, during the week ending with Feb. 18, it was reported that the increase of this season's Hog crop on the preceding season, was equal to 400,000 head. Notwithstanding this, prices advanced throughout the week, but at the close there seemed to have been a check put to it.

RICE—Is in moderate request, and is steady at $3 @$3 75, cash, ⅌ 100 lbs.

SUGARS—A fair inquiry prevails and prices are sustained. Sales 650 hhds., in lots, at 5c.@5¾c. for New-Orleans, and 4¾c.@6c. for Cuba, ⅌ lb.

TALLOW—Sales 18,000 lbs. prime at full prices.

TEAS—The auction sale of green Teas to-day was very well attended, despite the snow-storm. The competition was quite animated, and the bulk of the lots offered were sold at improved prices. We annex a report of the sales effected:

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*Hyson*—27 half chests at 43c., 26 do., 42½c., 22 do., 38c.; 37 do., 36½c.; 29 do., 36c.

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*Imperial*—8 half chests at 61c.; 19 do., 52½c.; 5 do., 50½c.; 15 do., 50c.; 17 do., 47c.; 19 do., 45½c.; 116 do., 45c.; 14 do., 42½c.; 7 do., 42c.; 30 do., 38½c.; 140 do., 37c.; 36 do., 36½c.; 69 do., 36c.; 20 cases do., 57c.; 54 boxes do., 53½c.; 80 do., 47c.

*Hyson Skin*—38 chests at 27c.; 46 half do., 30½c.; 31 do., 25½c.

*Hyson Twankay*—88 half chests at 33½c.; 61 do., 33c.

*Twankay*—19 half chests at 35½c.; 80 do., 35c.; 57 do., 31½c.; 110 do., 26c.; 38 do., 25½c.

TOBACCO—Is quiet, yet steady. Sales since Monday last, 65 hhds., Kentucky, at 7½c.@16d. 48 cases Florida, at 20c.@25c.; and 70 bales Havana, on terms not disclosed. Manufactured kinds are in slack request, at languid prices. In the Louisville market for the week ending 17th of February, according to the *Journal*, considerable animation was evinced at the auction sales, with a further improvement in prices. Most of the tobacco which brought under $4 was sold in the early part of the week, and was not strictly merchantable. The sales of the week have been 212 hhds. The following are the particulars, viz: 1 at $2 70, 32 at $3 30@$3 95, 48 at $4@4 95, 48 at $5 95, 42 at $6@$6 90, 25 at $7@$7 95, 5 at $8@$8 75, and 1 hhd. old leaf at $11 10. The doings were for lugs $4@$5, and medium leaf $5@$7. There was no really good leaf offering, and we quote it nominally $7@$9. Sales yesterday, exclusive of the above, of 27 hhds.—2 at $3 55@$

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[illegible] to the receipt of communications [illegible] to most important facts, but entirely [illegible] We must repeat that, for reasons of [illegible] communications conveying [illegible] only, under no circumstances, RECEIVE [illegible] We must have such evidence [illegible] the writer's name and address may afford of the truth of his statements;—as a matter of course, they are always considered confidential.

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[illegible] correspondence, containing important news, from all parts of the world, solicited. If used, it will be liberally paid for.

The Times for California.

The TIMES FOR CALIFORNIA will be issued [illegible] Mornings, in season to mail by the U. S. Mail [illegible] for the West. Mail closes at 1 o'clock [illegible] This paper will contain the Proceedings in Congress; complete Summaries of Foreign and Domestic [illegible] received since the sailing of the [illegible] for California; Reports of all public [illegible] Commercial Affairs; full lists of Marriages and Deaths; Editorial Articles on Current Topics; and a great amount of Miscellaneous [illegible]

[illegible] prepaid, ready for mailing, 5 cents per [illegible] will please send in their orders as early [illegible]

[illegible] Vanderbilt steamship *North Star* will leave this port to-day for Southampton, Havre and Bremen.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

[illegible] business whatever was done by Congress yesterday. After consideration of the private [illegible] in the Senate, the Army bill was [illegible] but nothing was done with it. The [illegible] all day in the discussion of privilege. Both branches adjourned [illegible]

[illegible] this morning, in full, the Minority [illegible] Lecompton Constitution, presented [illegible] Mr. Douglas, from the Committee [illegible] It is an elaborate and conclusive [illegible] the strong sought to be per[illegible] of Kansas under that in[illegible] well worth perusal. [illegible] in Washington, from "high [illegible] by the Correspondent of the [illegible] the Lecompton majority in [illegible] the passage of the bill [illegible] of Kansas exactly in the shape [illegible] from the Committee, but [illegible] will be altered from that side, [illegible] that "nothing [illegible] shall be construed or held to [illegible] of the people to alter, [illegible] at pleasure."

[illegible] yesterday, a bill was present[illegible] in moneyed cor[illegible] Notice was given of [illegible] a bill to allow the people a [illegible] in impanneling [illegible] trials. Nothing of importance [illegible] the Assembly. Both houses ad[illegible] evening.

[illegible] Ex-Secretary of Kansas, [illegible] on the affairs of that Territory, in the Assembly Chamber at Albany last [illegible] to a crowded audiency. The officers of the [illegible] were made up from all parties. The address [illegible] the same as that delivered in this [illegible] received with great favor.

[illegible] this morning some further European [illegible] derived from our files by the *Baltic*. [illegible] of newspaper discussion on the [illegible] side of the Atlantic are the "repressive measures of Napoleon III." It is stated that [illegible] with the late bellicose addresses from the army on the "frontiers," have so alarmed the English residents of Paris that they are hurriedly making preparations to leave France. We see it also stated that Captain DUNHAM, of the American bark *Adriatic*, has again succeeded in [illegible] the vigilance of the French authorities, and has made his second escape from detention. We copy from the London Times an interesting account of the departure of the Prince and Princess FREDERICK WILLIAM of Prussia from Gravesend; also a description of the monster steamship *Leviathan*, now successfully launched and afloat.

At a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, a report and resolutions were [illegible] to the bill now before Congress [illegible] merchant vessels of the United States, [illegible] certain tonnage, to carry the American (Bennett) code of marine signals. The bill has been favorably reported by the Committee on Commerce, but the Chairman, Mr. COCHRANE, now seems disposed to take the back track. The Senate, at the former session, passed a bill legalizing the American signals for the merchant marine of the United States, but on account of the opposition of the New-York ship-owners the bill failed in the House. Mr. ROGERS says he has the proscript of introducing the signals in England and France if they are adopted in this country. The [illegible] have been adopted by the United States Navy, and by the Lloyd's house. Board. A report was also considered on the delay and expense which [illegible] occur in the dispatch of goods at the New-York Custom-house. It was made the special order for the next meeting.

[illegible] commenced to snow early yesterday morning, and continued throughout the day. Sleighs were [illegible] and at midnight there was every likelihood that the storm would continue.

The East River is once more filled with ice, which comes floating down the North River, and takes it up towards Hell Gate with [illegible] The grinding, rumbling sound [illegible] the ferry-boats pass through it feebly suggests the experiences of last Winter.

The schooner *B. Drummond*, Captain FOX, which has been some time employed in saving railroad iron from the wreck of the bark *Clara Brookings*, at Squan Beach, was capsized off the Marine House, Long Branch, on Tuesday night, and sunk in five fathoms water. All the crew, consisting of eight persons, perished. A young man, named JOSEPH JOHNSON, Jr., was found dead floating upon the spring-stay, and was taken off Wednesday morning, by a life-boat from the shore. The names of the lost persons were published yesterday. With one or two exceptions, they have all left dependent families, and one, Mr. DUNN, had been married only one week.

JAMES O'HARA, employed by Rev. Mr. PEASE, in the Five Points Mission House, was yesterday tried in the Court of General Sessions, for an assault and battery on Mrs. MARY ANN BRUCE, a widow residing in Twenty-ninth-street. The [illegible] last a son in the Mission [illegible] Mr. PEASE took much [illegible] and the widow, being absolutely disposed to [illegible] PEASE directed O'HARA to refuse her permission to take the boy away. On her last visit for that purpose, she was very abusive, and O'HARA pushed her from the door and shut it against her. This was the assault complained of. The Jury at once acquitted O'HARA. The German committed on the verdict of the Coroner's Jury, on the charge of causing the death of the man MULLER, in the Seventeenth Ward, were released from custody, the Grand Jury having found no indictment against them. The petit Jury were discharged from further attendance, and to-day, being the last day of the term, numerous sentences will be passed.

The amount on deposit in the United States [illegible] on Monday last was $8,[illegible],000, of which $[illegible] was subject to draft. The week's receipts amounted to $[illegible]

The suit for slander, brought by Mr. ROBWELL GREEN, in the Marine Court, against Rev. Dr. H. MCGHEE BROWN, terminated, yesterday, in a verdict of $[illegible] for the plaintiff. The language, it was, at the time the slander was alleged to have been uttered, rector of the "Free Church of the Good Angels," (P. E.) Boonton, and the plaintiff, was a vestryman. The slander was, in effect, that Mr. GREEN had done something for which he ought to be sent to the [illegible]

State Prison. The case was one of considerable interest to those connected with the Church.

The Model artist troupe, arrested Thursday evening, at No. 4[illegible] Broome-street, were arraigned yesterday before the Mayor. CHARLES RAUTH, and LOUISA his wife, proprietors of the establishment, were held to bail in $3,000 each to answer a charge of keeping a disorderly house. The female artistes were let off, on giving $500 bail each, and promising to pursue a different calling in future.

At a meeting of the American Bible Society Thursday evening, the resignations of the six members of the Committee on Versions were accepted, and a Committee to nominate their successors was appointed.

The Coroner's investigation was resumed yesterday in the case of JAMES DUCKINGS, who was shot on Monday night by J. F. BUDENKOPF, at the lager-bier and billiard saloon No. 108 Canal-street. No additional facts of importance were elicited. The examination goes on to-day.

The snow-storm yesterday tended to check business, yet Flour was quite freely dealt in at firmer prices. A moderate inquiry prevailed for Corn at advanced rates. Other kinds of Grain were quiet, and somewhat nominal. 2,000 bales Cotton were reported sold at unchanged figures. Provisions were less active and less buoyant. Groceries were in fair demand, at full rates. An auction sale of Green Teas occurred, at which the attendance was quite large, and the prices realized indicated a considerable improvement. Naval Stores were in good request, at advancing rates. Other branches of trade presented no really new feature.

## The Refugee Question.

The French Army, in several of its recent addresses to the Emperor, congratulating him on his escape from assassination, has signified an intense desire to be led in pursuit of the conspirators into "their haunts," meaning thereby, Camberwell, Islington and other quarters of London, in which distinguished foreigners of damaged reputation and limited means are wont to seclude themselves and their patriotic plans. The Eighty-Second of the line in particular, asks to be placed in the vanguard of any army which may be employed in this ferreting out of these infamous assassins and their abettors. The President of the Legislative Assembly also, in an outburst of what is in him a new-born zeal, seizes the occasion to administer a stern rebuke to Great Britain for sheltering the miscreants who pass their leisure hours in plotting against the life of his Imperial master. Similar murmurs of indignation proceed from the Imperial Press all over the country. The general feeling of horror at the catastrophe seems indeed amongst the more rabid Bonapartists to shape itself into a wild and unreasoning condemnation of the Government of any country in which such men as the conspirators and their friends can reside with safety.

Every one who has paid any attention to European politics since the Carbonaro disturbances in Italy, must have remarked that every political *émeute* on the Continent, and every attempt on the life of a European monarch, has been followed by a furious diplomatic correspondence with England, in which the condign punishment, without trial, of every political refugee in London is indignantly demanded on one side, and politely refused on the other. One would think that the volumes of explanatory lore on the subjects of the *habeas corpus*, of the presumption of the common law in favor of every man's innocence, of the broad distinction between the Executive and the Judiciary, which British Foreign Secretaries have poured forth, and which may be found by the half-dozen in the archives of every European Kingdom, would by this time, have made every man and woman engaged in the diplomatic service of the despots thoroughly familiar with the workings of that ponderous and somewhat perplexing machine, the British Constitution. Such, however, does not appear to be the case. NAPOLEON himself, of course, knows England and the English quite so well to imagine that any Minister or any Cabinet could venture to interfere with the regular course of English justice in behalf of any King or Kaiser. But his subordinates, selected, not as he would have them, but as he has been able to procure them, among the least intelligent and least cultivated members of the society of France, seem to know no more of Great Britain than of Cochin China. The French Minister at London, Count PERSIGNY, has just been making a speech in reply to the address of the City of London, which has provoked not a little of civilly-contemptuous comment from the English press, and really justifies the impression that the Imperial Envoy fancies it to be the simplest thing in the world for Lord PALMERSTON to kick any number of thread-bare conspirators out of England into France at the beck of any potentate who may suppose his life to be in danger. Count PERSIGNY's nonsense is not without precedent. In the reign of Queen ANNE, the old writ of mesne process was put into the hands of the Sheriff of London, and under it he arrested the Russian Ambassador, as he drove down Parliament-street in his carriage. His Excellency was discharged within a few hours, but the Empress CATHARINE was so furious on hearing of it that she asked for the immediate decapitation of the Sheriff and his deputies. Ample apologies were tendered for the outrage, a declaratory act was passed exempting Ambassadors and their suite from all liability in any Court of Law or Equity, and elaborate explanations of the reasons why the Government could not proceed against the Sheriff in the summary manner suggested were duly forwarded to St. Petersburg, but in vain. Her Majesty treated with the contempt it apparently deserved the assertion that a powerful Government could not inflict any punishment it pleased on one of its own servants. The lapse of time, the increased facility of communication, the greater diffusion of knowledge, and the labors of the Press, have not sufficed to dissipate the delusions which fed the celestial ire of CATHARINE. The Austrian Government went through precisely the same paroxysms with precisely the same result, in 1849, when BARCLAY & PERKINS' draymen whipped Marshal HAYNAU. The Home Secretary all but implored of the flagellated chieftain to go into Court, prove his wrongs, and bring his assailants to punishment. He would not hear of it, and nothing could persuade the Austrian Minister that it made the slightest difference whether he did or not. The Viennese publicists laughed at the idea of the Queen of 200,000,000 of souls, being unable to castigate a turbulent drayman unless a Marshal of the Holy Roman Empire would sit half a day in a Police Court, and submit to be baited by an Old Bailey lawyer, and put himself through the whole formality of a common-law prosecution. The thing was ridiculous, and the Austrian Press rang the changes for weeks upon the subterfuges and shuffling of English diplomacy.

As a man of sense, familiar with the English character and with the perils of his own position, NAPOLEON III. certainly will not suffer himself to be led by the zeal of his partisans into making absurd demands upon the English Executive. He may think it politic to permit or find it impossible to rebuke the idle vaporings of his valiant men-of-war; but he will be very unlikely to throw upon the shoulders of any foreign potentate the blame which he has already fastened upon his own police and civil authorities for the success with which the conspiracy of the Rue Le Pelletier was carried on so nearly to its consummation.

The Emperor, indeed, really owes his life neither to his Prefects nor to his Prætorians, but to the Police of England. It was from London, and not from Paris, that the blow was struck which paralyzed the plot, by striking down the most dangerous of the plotters—PIERRI. While the Prefect of Paris was eating truffles and drinking champagne with a friend, and the Chef de Police was consoling himself in a *café* with a drop of *absinthe*, and the Superintendente lay muffled up in bed with a cold in his head, Detective HERBERT was on the lookout for PIERRI, whose presence in the French capital had been announced to him by the Bow-street officers, after the Italian had succeeded in passing unscathed through the ordeal of all the *barrières* and *octrois* between Brussels and Paris. Minister BILLAULT himself has acknowledged this fact by recommending the Emperor to decorate his British preserver with the Cross of the Legion of Honor. We are afraid that the army of the third NAPOLEON is beginning to be a source of serious embarrassment to its master. His present position must be forcing upon him illustrations more striking than agreeable of his own neat aphorism, "The army is a sword, the hilt of which is glory;" and, unless the perspicacity which enabled the princely student to estimate so fairly the situation of JAMES II. of England has entirely deserted the imperial actor in his own affairs, NAPOLEON must recall, with ominous concern, his own sagacious criticism upon the last Stuart King of England—that, "like all fallen rulers, he sought to replace the moral force which he was losing by the material force of arms." Between the splendid Napoleonic theory of a centralized Democracy, incarnate in the elect Emperor of millions of freemen, and the positive dreary reality of a Government which sniffs treason in the phrasing of a telegraph dispatch, and fears a Demosthenes in every rural professor of the humanities, and overrides the "civil hierarchy" with a quintuple Committee of Marshals of France, there is a contrast strong enough to startle the firmest fatalist that ever swore by star.

## Congressional Manners.

The Hon. Mr. ZOLLICOFFER is a member of Congress from Tennessee,—a man of clear and vigorous intellect, of good character, and of marked influence, both at home and in the body of which he is a member. He attached himself to the American party during the brief existence of that organization, and felt accordingly somewhat aggrieved by the assault made upon it by Mr. HATCH, of Buffalo, on Thursday last. Mr. ZOLLICOFFER made a reply to Mr. HATCH, in the course of which he said that Mr. H. had "denounced the obligations of the Order as treasonable and unconstitutional;" and to this representation he proceeded to reply.

Now, it is certainly very easy to see what sort of a reply was called for in this case. Mr. HATCH had expressed an *opinion* as to the character of certain written obligations. Mr. ZOLLICOFFER differed widely in his construction of them. Any man of only common sense, and of no more than the ordinary amount of chivalry, in Mr. Z.'s position, would have attempted to show, by reading the forms in question, and pointing out their real significance, that they did not warrant the construction which Mr. HATCH had put upon them. But so prosaic a proceeding as this was not to Mr. ZOLLICOFFER's taste. There was an opportunity offered for the display of chivalry,—very much such a one as Don Quixote was constantly finding in his diligent search for strange adventures. So the Hon. Mr. ZOLLICOFFER draws his visor down, poises his lance, and launches his Rosinante full at Mr. HATCH, after the most approved rules of Chivalry, in the following fine phrase:

"Mr. HATCH had denounced the obligations as treasonable and unconstitutional. In doing so he *had uttered a falsehood with which he* (ZOLLICOFFER) *would brand him, and took the responsibility.* Mr. HATCH," (the reporter adds,) "was not present."

How very imposing! What a "settler" for an opponent in debate! Mr. ZOLLICOFFER "brands" Mr. HATCH with falsehood, for having uttered some opinion in which he did not concur:—and by way of giving still more tremendous emphasis to the operation, he proceeds to "take the responsibility." What Mr. ZOLLICOFFER meant the world to understand by this was, that he courageously and deliberately took upon himself all the risks and chances, be the same more or less, of being challenged to mortal combat, and shot *dead*, by Mr. HATCH, in resentment of his chivalric insult. This was the responsibility which the Hon. Mr. ZOLLICOFFER supposed he took upon himself in the eyes of the world. He evidently expected the people of the whole country to say, with admiring emphasis, "What a devil of a fellow that ZOLLICOFFER is!" He will study the columns of the country papers published in his district, to see how his delighted constituents rejoice in his bearing, and plume themselves on having had the sagacity to send so much valor to Washington. He will glance up at the galleries now and then, furtively but eagerly, to see the ladies, who always admire the heroic in action, turn their admiring eyes upon that part of the Hall which is graced by his chivalric presence.

But Mr. ZOLLICOFFER's real "responsibility" in this matter is of quite another sort. He has made himself responsible for something of that degradation of manners which disgraces our national councils, and makes free institutions the scorn and the dread of cultivated men throughout the world. He has done what he could to substitute the coarse, low Billingsgate of the turf and the street for the language of gentlemen and the courtesies of social life in the Chamber which represents the people of the whole Republic. He will have admirers and eulogists, without doubt,—enough to feed his vanity, but not of a character to satisfy even his own judgment that he has acted a manly or a worthy part.

The fact that the House of Representatives will permit, as it does constantly permit, one member to insult another, is in itself highly disgraceful to the country. We are very much in the habit of regarding the British House of Commons as a turbulent and disorderly assembly:—but if one member were ever, in the heat of debate, to accuse another of falsehood,—he would be stopped instantly by calls to order, not only from the Speaker, but from every member of the House, and not suffered to proceed until he had fully apologized for his breach of decorum. The House of Commons considers a breach of order as an insult to itself, and treats a personal affront to any member as an indignity to the whole body. That our Legislative Assemblies take a much lower view of their own character and dignity can be only due to the fact that their individual members are men of a different stamp.

There is another point in Mr. ZOLLICOFFER's demonstration worthy of notice, because it confirms the opinion we have frequently expressed of the peculiar tactics of the Southern chivalry. It does not *take* offence,—but only *gives* it. It resents injury only by insult. Mr. KNITT made no fuss about being knocked down,—but he promized to be very ferocious towards any body who would mention it. Mr. BARKSDALE did not call Mr. WASHBURNE to account for striking him, but pronounced him an "infamous liar" for denying it. So, Mr. ZOLLICOFFER does not hold Mr. HATCH responsible for having accused him of treason, but resents the insult by branding him with falsehood—and then takes the responsibility!

This is very cheap valor. It costs nothing but a willingness to be made ridiculous. The Quixotism of the Knight of La Mancha was chivalry itself compared with the exploits of some of our Southern desperadoes.

## The Great Jobson Case.

The great case of *Jobson* against *Griffins* came to an abrupt and untimely end on Thursday night. Yesterday's TIMES contained a full report of the closing scenes of this great engagement. By one of those accidents which will sometimes happen, even in the best regulated law-suits, both the character of the proceeding, and the parties to it, underwent a serious change before the affair was over. JOBSON ceased to be plaintiff and became defendant: GRIFFINS stepped out of it altogether, and gave place to his counsel, Mr. SELLY; the case was contested *pugnis et calcibus*, instead of by the ordinary process; and the issue was whether SELLY should pommel JOBSON or JOBSON SELLY. In the end both the parties were walked off to the Tombs, JOBSON having decidedly the worst of the physical, as he was fast getting the worst of the legal, fight.

Madame LOLA MONTEZ, the only witness in the case thus far, bore herself with a good deal more spirit than equanimity. She had come there to relate her personal experience and knowledge of the personal character of JOBSON, and rather unexpectedly found herself put to the necessity of defending her own. With that perversity which lawyers will sometimes exhibit, JOBSON's counsel found it a good deal more convenient to assail the character of the witness than to defend his client's,—and a very formidable battery of accusatory questions was opened upon the lady. Madame LOLA, perceiving at a glance the peculiarity of her position, did not suffer herself to be put upon the defensive, but dashed instantly upon the enemy,—cutting right and left, and visiting the allied forces arrayed against her with ignominious and complete defeat. The Referee, in great disgust, adjourned the case,—as he informed the reporters,—*forever*.

We regret to learn that the Referee, Mr. J. H. WHITING, considers his action in the case to have been unduly censured and unfairly made ridiculous in the TIMES report of the proceedings, which represented him as "running backwards and forwards during the scrimmage, in a state of helpless terror." We certainly intended no impeachment of Mr. WHITING's courage or self-possession, and trust that no unwarrantable inference of that sort will be drawn from our report. Men of the strongest nerves, and of the largest experience in such engagements, might well have been momentarily bewildered by such startling exhibitions as those of Madame MONTEZ and the subsequent belligerents.

But, turning from the ludicrous features of the case, which are certainly the most conspicuous, we must say that we cannot acquit the Referee of all responsibility for these shameful proceedings. We presume that he undertook to act as Referee at his own free will, and with a full knowledge of his powers and duties. A Referee occupies the place and possesses the power of a Judge sitting at Special Term, and rests under the same obligation to the public to see that all proceedings before him are conducted in a decent and orderly manner. He is, as we have often said of the Judges, *apropos* of other forensic scandals, the officer of the Commonwealth, and he owes it to the Commonwealth to see that he is treated with respect and decorum. If Mr. WHITING did not intend to keep order in his Court, he should never have undertaken a task which involved an examination of LOLA MONTEZ upon so delicate a point as the character and antecedents of JOBSON.

The whole proceeding from beginning to end was characterized by the most complete turbulence and confusion. A mass of irrelevant testimony was introduced, apparently with no other object than the amusement of the audience, LOLA MONTEZ was allowed to spar with the counsel in the choicest Billingsgate, and the counsel to insult her with equal coarseness and freedom; the Referee was brow-beaten and bullied when he attempted to interfere, and the whole affair was appropriately wound up in a rough-and-tumble fight. There were policemen in the room. After one hearty "round," JOBSON appears to have been removed by one of them, and the two belligerents then adjourned to the Police Court to relate their woes to Justice WELSH, who turned them loose for twenty-four hours, that they might cool their angry passions and reflect upon their griefs. We should like to know why Mr. WHITING did not use these policemen to commit both of them to jail for contempt? He had full power to do so, and it was his duty to have done so.

For the present the case is ended. The momentous question of JOBSON's antecedents is still unsettled. But it cannot always be left in that condition. If Mr. WHITING abandons the inquiry, another Referee must be discovered or the Court itself must enter upon the investigation. Meantime we are glad to know that the hint we threw out a day or two since is likely to be acted on, and that the records of the London and Paris Police are to be explored for the light they may throw upon the history and character of JOBSON. The world shall, in due time, be enlightened.

WHEN IGNORANCE IS BLISS.—Gen. CALHOUN says that he had no reason to suspect anything wrong in the return of votes from Delaware Crossing, but he promises, if the Judges will make oath that only forty-three votes were polled, to amend the count accordingly.

The most striking part of this document is the remarkable ignorance which it indicates on Gen. CALHOUN's part of the population of Kansas. He was for a long time Surveyor General of the Territory, and in that capacity ought to have learned enough about it, one would suppose, to enable him to guess with tolerable accuracy, whether one of its newest settlements was likely to cast 48 or 343 votes.

Gen. CALHOUN's extreme ignorance is a little suspicious. He seems to know a good deal less than the law allows. Some of his knowledge was buried under the wood-pile, but now that it has been dug out, the General ought to avail himself of it.

His promise to give certificates to those who have the most votes, "even if they prove to be *his* enemies," will go for only what it is worth, which, in the present state of the market, is very little indeed. People will remember that Gen. CALHOUN gave a written pledge that if elected to the Lecompton Convention, he would insist upon submitting the Constitution to the popular vote. In this case his promise is too carefully worded to inspire much confidence. Let him actually *give* the certificates to the parties elected, and then the public may have faith in his intentions.

PITY THE SORROWS, &c.—Poor BENNETT is in a pickle. Troubles multiply on his hands. He is sorely exercised about the grades of the City avenues. He fears the Municipal Government is about to "desecrate" that ninety-thousand-dollar real estate speculation of his by compelling him to grade part of it for streets to meet the wants of this rapidly growing metropolis. He calls his old pets in the Common Council very hard names, and blasphemes the respectable, public-spirited citizens who enjoy the supreme felicity of being his neighbors in the rural solitude in which he hoped to pass his declining years, and hide the scars of his long battle with the world.

We hope the Common Council will lend a gracious ear to the pitiful wailings of poor BENNETT. They are too snappish and ill-natured, it is true, to be very touching or affecting, but this is an infirmity of unhappy senility, which should be overlooked.

Poor BENNETT has reason to be cross, as well as wretched. He has bought forty acres of real estate and does not know what to do with it. He has drawn an elephant in a raffle, and grows melancholy over the prospect.

A TEST.—The Washington *Union* declares that support of the Lecompton policy is at the present time the "test" of Democracy. And, acting upon this dogma, which he, doubtless, authorized the *Union* to promulgate, President BUCHANAN has commenced the removal of postmasters who reject the test. The necessary tendency of this course is to place the canvass of 1860 upon a strictly sectional basis. Does the South desire the Presidential contest to take that shape? Has it forgotten the lesson of 1856? Does it ignore the fact that in 1860 there will be three more Free States?

HEAD HIM OR DIE.—This admonition is intended for the Richmond *South*, and refers to EDWARD EVERETT. That obnoxious individual has recently received invitations to deliver his WASHINGTON lecture in several places in the Southern States. It strikes us as possible that he may have the audacity to comply. And what a sacrilege it would be should he set foot on the soil of that chivalrous State where lived and flourished "the lamented BROOKS." Let the *South* look to this in time.

A ROGUE CATCHING A ROGUE.—POOR BENNETT makes some exposures of himself now and then which would be amusing if they were not indecent. He says that the Abbé MCMASTERS, of the *Freeman's Journal*, abuses Mr. BUCHANAN because he did not give him a foreign mission. This explains, he says, how it happens that he "now spits upon that which he so recently licked." Poor BENNETT unconsciously exhibits to the public a leaf from his own experience. He supported PIERCE,—did *not* get a mission, and then abused him. He opposed BUCHANAN, but now "licks his boots;"—the inference, according to his own logic, is, that he has *not yet* been refused a mission.

## Sealy vs. Jobson—The Assault and Battery Case.

Yesterday, at the Toombs, before Judge WELSH, Mr. DAVID WEMYSS JOBSON appeared to answer the complaint of Mr. FREDERICK D. SEALY for assault and battery, perpetrated on Thursday at the office of Mr. JOHN N. WHITING, the referee appointed to take the testimony in the case of HARVEY, assignee of GRAHAM, vs. D. W. JOBSON.

JOBSON, in his written complaint, charged SEALY with striking him with his fist in the face while he (JOBSON) was in the act of rising from a chair, not aware that he was to be assaulted. SEALY, on the other hand, charged JOBSON with striking him (SEALY) with a cane on the head and face.

The room in which the examination was held was crowded with spectators. Mr. H. L. CLINTON appeared for Mr. SEALY; Mr. SCHERMERHORN for Mr. JOBSON. Mr. SEALY, the first complainant, was examined and cross-examined at much length. His statement of the origin and incidents of the difficulty coincided substantially with that given in the TIMES of yesterday, but with this exception, that JOBSON struck the first blow, and was consequently the aggressor. Mr. SEALY's examination lasted from 3 till about 5¼ o'clock. The matter was adjourned till to-day, (Saturday,) at 2 P. M.

## For California.

The United States Mail steamer *Star of the West*, Captain GRAY, leaves for Aspinwall this day at 2 o'clock, from the foot of Warren-street, with the California mails and passengers. The fare by this steamer, and by the regular steamer of the 5th of March, is for first cabin, $300; second cabin, $200; steerage, $120, which have been the established rates. The first steamer in March, of the opposition line, charges for first cabin, $250; second cabin, $155; steerage, $[illegible]. This opposition appears to be mostly intended to benefit first-class passengers, who are supposed to be able to pay full fare, and who are only about one in twenty of California travel.

MR. BEECHER NOT GOING TO CALIFORNIA.—The announcement of some of the City papers yesterday, that Rev. H. W. BEECHER would sail for California early in March, is not correct. Mr. BEECHER, alluding to the matter before his Church on Wednesday evening last, (with a special request that it shouldn't get into the papers,) stated positively that he was not going to California.

## LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

### By Telegraph to the New-York Times.

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### News from Kansas.

REASSEMBLING OF THE TOPEKA LEGISLATURE, &c.

St. Louis, Friday, Feb. 19.

The Kansas correspondent of the Democrat says that the Topeka Legislature reassembled on the 10th inst. The Codifying Committee reported a complete code of laws, and concurrent resolutions were introduced setting forth that as the President of the United States advocates the passage of the Lecompton Constitution through Congress, Governor ROBINSON can be requested to correspond with the Governors of the several States friendly to the Topeka movement of Kansas and solicit aid in case it should be necessary to resist such encroachments on the principles of republicanism.

The election for Stationer Congressman-at-large, for member of the Council to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. CRAIG, the Democratic Congressman elect, resulted in the election of Mr. CHALLAGE, Democrat, over Mr. WINSLOW, Free-State, by 250 majority. On the 4th of January the same county gave over 100 Free-State majority.

### Accident on the Rutland and Burlington Railroad.

RUTLAND, Vt., Friday, Feb. 19.

The passenger-car of the local freight train from Burlington for this place was thrown off the track to-day, near Clarendon, seriously injuring Mrs. SHELDON, of Fair Haven; WILLIAM KIDDER, of Meadville; BENJAMIN JONES, of Reading, Vt.; J. S. HUBD, of Jefferson County, N. Y., and FRANCIS MAYNARD, of Cambridge, Mass.

### New-Jersey Legislature.

TRENTON, N. J., Friday, Feb. 19.

There is a good deal of feeling here, and a strong lobby for and against the Central Railroad extension to New-York. The bill is yet in the Senate, and will probably be acted on on Tuesday next. Both Houses have adjourned until Monday.

### Collision on Sea.

CHARLESTON, Thursday, Feb. 18.

The ship *Bay State*, from New-Orleans for Boston, was spoken off Hatteras on Friday, in a dismasted condition. She was run into on the night of the 16th, and was making for the first port.

### Conviction of a Murderer.

DANVILLE, Pa., Friday, Feb. 19.

The jury in the case of WILLIAM F. CLARK, indicted for the murder of his wife, rendered a verdict of guilty to-day after being out seven hours.

### United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 19.

No. 68.—The United States, ex. James Collins. Argument continued on both sides.

### The Ohio River.

CINCINNATI, Friday, Feb. 19.

The water in the channel of the river at this point now measures six feet, but is falling.

### Sea and Ship News.

WRECK OF THE SCHOONER E. WARNER—ALL HANDS LOST.—The messenger sent by Messrs. BURD & NEILSON to examine some wreck ashore, found the schooner lost off Long Branch, returned yesterday, and confirms the previous opinion that she is the *B. Drummond*, one of BURDEN & NEILSON's coal schooners, which has been engaged in carrying the cargo of the wrecked bark *Clara Brookings*, at Squan. This schooner left the *Clara Brookings* last Saturday, on Tuesday night, with a large quantity of iron upon her decks, and was spoken by the coasting schooner *M. E. Pickman*, off Shark River, she was then standing for the northeast, with the wind blowing heavy from the northward. It is supposed she was struck by a squall from off land and capsized, the heavy weight of iron on her decks, with no little counterbalancing weight in the hold, carrying her over. All hands appear to have perished. Their names are: Captain J. Fox, Michael Keyes, mate, Wm. B. Walling, Augustus G. McNeill, Daniel Wilson, James Connor, J. W. Dann, and Joseph Johnson, Jr. Most of these men are married and have families. DANN had been married only about a month. A. G. MCNEILL was the brother-in-law of Mr. W. H. BEAN. He was about twenty-four years of age, and a native of New-York. They were nearly all married men, with families. Captain FOX was an experienced and careful man. He was very much esteemed by a large circle of friends. One of the crew, JOSEPH JOHNSON, Jr., was taken from the rigging Wednesday morning dead, by some of the inhabitants of Long Branch. His body will be sent to his friends by the Keyport boat to-day.

The ship *Flying Dutchman*, whose mate Barnegat, is in a bad condition, the water being up to her lower deck. By request of Capt. MASSEY, agent of the Underwriters, who had cut his foot badly, Capt. BOWES, general agent of the Underwriters, left on Thursday evening with the steam-tug *William H. Webb*, carrying two lighters, wood and steam pumps to assist in unlading cargo, &c. The heavy storm from the eastward, it is feared, will cause her to litter.

☞ The steamship *Baltic*, CORNCOCK, from Liverpool, arrived in Quarantine Thursday, at 11 P. M., and was detained there until 10 A. M. yesterday, having a case of small-pox on board. She arrived at her pier foot of Canal-street at [illegible] yesterday.

### The Weather—A Satisfactory Snow-Storm—Sleighs Seen in Broadway.

The weather, which had been growing colder and cooler since the cool "snap" set in at the beginning of the present week,—and which [illegible] cold enough for two or three nights to freeze the water-pipes and coat the windows with a [illegible] covering of frost,—resolved yesterday to give us the first snow-storm of the season. The sky at early dawn was ominous of coming snow, but it was not until 9 o'clock that the first flakes fell. They fell leisurely, not to say lazily, for a considerable period, and then, as if ashamed of having made themselves so obtrusive that the omnibuses could not travel in it, but had to take back streets, to avoid the Broadway pavement, they fattened down a little thicker and faster, and by and by assumed such determination to put up a sleighing carnival, however brief, that hardware merchants suspended sleigh-bells at their doors, and encouraged idle urchins to jingle them in the most tantalizing manner. Several times it left off, as if to take breath, but towards night fell it came down in real earnest, and the result was, that it lay three inches deep after twelve hours' effort, and sleighs were actually brought into requisition. We saw as many as three of them, private vehicles, with ladies and gentlemen, muffled in furs, dashing up and down Broadway as if for wagers, and a large omnibus sleigh, over-crowded with passengers, and moving very slowly, made a painful attempt to get up an excitement in the public mind, by the usual adjuncts of singing, screaming, and horn-blowing, by the driver and the "invited guests." As far as we observed, the effort, however praiseworthy, was unsuccessful. Not even a rowdy threw a snow-ball, and the horses who dragged the sleigh did not seem to relish the joke at all.

A weather-prophet, whose [illegible] result, assures us that this abortive effort of sleighing will not be renewed to-day; that the wind will have veered round to the westward before this sheet is in the reader's hands, and that rubbers or overall boots will be serviceable companions until sooner or later. But weather-prophets are so incorrect, that we would not advise anybody to invest useful money in boots or rubbers at least for a day or two, as there is a pretty good prospect of a heavier fall before the thaw comes.

Out of the City the storm seems to have been more severe. The Philadelphia cars were behind time, and sundry people, assembled at Clinton Hall to hear Dr. DUBLEY A. TYNG lecture on "Manhood," were disappointed, as he failed to arrive. The Stonington, Fall River, and Norwich lines of steamboats did not leave their piers, fearful of the storm upon the sound. Take it all together, it was real wintry, and the nearest approach towards a good snow-storm that we have had this season,—but very moderate, compared with the storms we are accustomed to in this latitude. Nothing has yet occured to impeach the character of this Winter as the mildest experienced here for the past twenty years.

APPOINTMENT.—The Senate yesterday confirmed the appointment which the President had conferred upon Mr. ROBERTS DILLON, of this City, as Secretary of Legation to Brazil. Mr. DILLON is favorably known as connected many years ago with our diplomatic service at Madrid, and is well qualified for the post to which he has been promoted.

# FROM ALBANY.

Free Tickets on the Railroads—Petition from Judge Mullett—The Saratoga and Whitehall Railroad—That Executive Session—Adjournment of the Savings Banks' Semi-Annual Convention, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 19, 1858.

The Senate had a session last evening for the purpose of considering the General Orders. Senator Grow's bill to prohibit the giving of free tickets to State Officers, Members of the Legislature, &c., was the business for much legislative humbuggery. An amendment offered by Mr. Noxon, that all railroads be required to carry all the members of the Legislature, &c., free, during the session of the Legislature, was much more sensible. This amendment was pending when the Committee of the Whole reported progress, and asked leave to have another sitting.

This morning the session commenced at 10 o'clock in hopes understood that adjournment would take place at 12 o'clock, to enable Senators to run home by the early trains, providing the House should attempt to adjourn over until Tuesday.

Senator Grow presented an extraordinary paper this morning. It was a petition from Judge MULLETT, of the Seventh District, recapitulating the circumstances which had caused his retirement from the Bench, and asking to be paid for a period of time intervening between a bogus and a real resignation. The circumstances grew out of the legislation of last Winter.

It was charged in the Assembly that Judge MULLETT and Judge WARDE had become so addicted to the use of stimulants as to unfit them for the proper discharge of the duties of the Bench. These charges were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to investigate their truth. Judge WARDE died before the Committee had any action. While the investigation as to the habits of Judge MULLETT was pending, that gentleman transmitted to a member of the Judiciary Committee a resignation, in blank, of his office. This was to be perfected, and transmitted to the Governor by the gentleman to whom it was intrusted, whenever in his opinion the circumstances should justify him in so doing. It was understood at the time that the resignation was to be transmitted whenever the investigation should be earnestly pressed. It was pressed, and the resignation forwarded to the Governor, who filled the vacancy by the appointment of Hon. NOAH DAVIS, of Orleans County. The investigation was dropped, as a matter of course, and nothing more was heard of the matter until after the adjournment of the Legislature, when Judge MULLETT set up that he had never resigned, and could not, therefore, be superseded. It was said, at the time, that the Judge was taking advantage of the adjournment of the Legislature, as no investigation could then be made. For some reasons unprobably by the interposition of friends—the Judge withdrew this plea, or rather transmitted a full and complete resignation. He now asks to be paid for the time which elapsed between the bogus (as he believes it) and the genuine resignation.

ASSESSED VALUE OF ANCIENT RAILROAD.

The Saratoga and Whitehall Railroad Company reports the following as the assessed value of its property, as made by the Assessors under the laws of 1856, and as made by themselves under the laws of 1857:

| | 1856. | 1857. |
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| Counties | $225,000 | $279,473 00 |
| Saratoga | 165,000 | 144,508 37 |
| Total | $390,000 | $423,981 37 |

Difference in favor of the road under the law of 1857, $40,118 43. The Troy Union Company reports the valuation this year the same as last year, $30,950.

BROKERS OR COMMISSIONERS.

The Committee on Manufactures reported against the bill to authorize the formation of companies for the purpose of conducting the business of huckstering.

The Judiciary Committee could not brace themselves up to the point of reporting in favor of the bill introduced by Senator GROW to regulate the mode of electing officers of moneyed corporations. They could only report it for the consideration of the Senate. It takes considerable nerve to walk square up to report anything to which CORNING, BRIGHAM, FAUTH & Co. have such substantial objections. It is some progress, however, that the Committee makes "in reporting for the consideration of the Senate," and I do not altogether despair of a step or two more in advance before the session closes.

THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Senator JOHNSON perpetrated one of the best Senatorial jokes that has yet been cracked. He proposed to remove the injunction of secrecy from the proceedings which the Senate had on Wednesday in Executive Session! This was evidently intended as Pickwickian, for every page-boy around the capitol was quite as well posted as to the result of that conclave as he was in *Webster* or *Duboll*. Nevertheless, the Senate seriously entertained and really adopted the proposition.

SAVINGS BANKS.

Gen. CODE, Superintendent of the Banking Department, transmitted to the House the Annual Report of the business of all the banks for savings in the State. Under the old law these reports were transmitted to the Senate, but the Legislature last Winter directed that hereafter they should be made to the Department. The benefit of this change is seen in the prompt, compact, and precise form in which we have the desired information. I give the aggregates:

RESOURCES.

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| Bonds and Mortgages | $20,324,568 |
| Estimated value of mortgage premises | $48,666,688 |
| Stock Investments | 17,349,900 |
| Par value of Stocks | 17,815,700 |
| Estimated value of the same | 17,090,242 |
| Amount loaned on Stocks | 1,123,961 |
| Par value | 1,582,227 |
| Amount loaned upon personal securities | 21,046 |
| Amount invested in real estate | 947,165 |
| Cash on deposit in Banks | 3,287,441 |
| Cash on hand not deposited in Banks | 854,770 |
| Amount of cash not included under either of the above heads | 50,462 |
| Miscellaneous resources | 17,190 |
| Add for cents | 70 |
| Total | $43,885,991 |

LIABILITIES.

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| Amount due depositors | $41,422,072 |
| Miscellaneous liabilities | 25,851 |
| Excess of assets over liabilities | 2,437,623 |
| Add for cents | 45 |
| Total | $43,885,991 |

Number of accounts open on the morning of Jan. 1, 1858, was 252,894. Due thereon $41,422,072—or an average of $163 24 for each depositor.

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| Amount deposited during the year | $24,890,443 |
| Amount withdrawn during the year | 24,541,682 |
| Amount received for interest during the year | 2,643,615 |
| Amount placed to credit of depositors during same period | 2,070,851 |

Almost the entire time of the House was occupied in an effort to grant the use of the Assembly Chamber this evening to the gentlemen who desired to hear Mr. SUMNER speak on the state of affairs in Kansas. To reach the resolution all the orders of business had to be laid on the table. This was finally done, and the resolution on invitation passed by a vote of Ayes 70, Noes 31.

BANKERS' CONVENTION.

The Convention of country bankers has adjourned. About one-third of the banks were represented. A Committee was appointed to invite the attendance and cooperation of the Albany banks, and in accordance with that invitation most of the Albany banks were represented.

Three propositions were submitted.

One was for a Clearing-House in New-York. This was voted down—it is said, because all wanted to be captains of the schooner.

The second proposition looked to the establishment of a redemption Bank at Albany—the capital to be made up from a *pro rata* assessment upon the capital stock of those banks availing themselves of the facilities afforded by the redemption. It was to be a great city mother to the country fledglings. This project failed from the same cause that rejected the first—the many wanted to hold the job.

The third project was more successful. This was to make an arrangement with one or more Albany banks to redeem the circulation, at a certain rate, and divide the profit of the discount. This proposition originated with four Albany banks, which had agreed to do the business and divide equally.

A Committee of five was appointed by the Convention to conclude upon the terms of this arrangement. The Committee has, I understand, agreed with the Merchants and Interior to act as redeeming agents, those banks to have *one-tenth* of the discount received, as a compensation for the service performed.

So the peculiar mission of the Metropolitan and American Exchange Banks may be considered ended. The geese that was laying their golden eggs they have killed by their own folly and unjust exactions. The grist goes to the Albany mill, and I think the Albany millers have both the ability and the strength to retain it. LEO.

## Ex-Secretary Stanton's Address on Kansas Affairs—The Nomination for Auditor.

ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 19.

The Assembly Chamber was crowded to its utmost capacity to-night to listen to the speech of Ex-Secretary STANTON on the affairs of Kansas. A large number of ladies were present. The meeting was called to order by Hon. Mr. BRIGGS, of Orleans, who nominated Hon. SAMUEL A. LAW for Chairman, with a long list of gentlemen, composed of all parties for Vice-Presidents, including Hon. WM. A. YOUNG of Albany; A. B. TAPPEN, of Westchester; THOMAS JONES, Jr., and Messrs S. BEACH, of New-York, Democrats. The Chairman introduced Mr. STANTON, who was received with loud applause. His remarks were much the same as those made in New-York, and were received with loud and enthusiastic applause throughout.

The Senate has removed the injunction of secrecy on the Executive session of Wednesday last. The Governor's nomination for Auditor of the Canal Department was E. W. LEAVENWORTH. The nomination was, by a vote of the Senate, taken from the Committee from the District in which the nominee resides, and referred to the standing Committee on Canals, with an order to the latter to report on the 5th of July next.

## Cruise of the United States Frigate Wabash.

The United States steam frigate *Wabash*, the flag-ship of the Home Squadron, and bearing the broad pennant of Commodore PAULDING, has been in commission about 18 months. Her last cruise occupied seven months, and was an eventful one. She sailed from New-York on the 29th of July, under orders for Aspinwall, with reference to the unsettled state of Central American affairs; for the protection of the Isthmus Transit, and to look after the filibusters. The opinion seems prevalent that the latter duty was pretty satisfactorily performed. The passage to Aspinwall was a pleasant one, occupying ten and a half days. The *Wabash* remained there until the latter part of October, during which time she relieved several distressed vessels, and supplied assistance and meat to the bark *Antelope*, whose crew had mutinied. The crew enjoyed good health until Aug. 28, when an influenza—a very uncommon trouble in those latitudes—set in, swelling the sick list to over one hundred. The disease resembles that which prevails at the North, but was accompanied by intermittent fever. It began first at Panama, where the crews of the ships *Decatur*, of the *John Adams* and of a Spanish vessel-of-war were affected by it. It then crossed the Isthmus and attacked the people of Aspinwall and the crew of the *Wabash*. The same disease subsequently appeared at the Island of St. Thomas, after which it was seen no more. WM. H. LAWRENCE, a seaman, of Philadelphia, died of typhoid fever Aug. 14, and JOHN GRAHAM, ordinary seaman, died of remittent fever and pneumonia.

On the 6th of October this frigate sailed for the Island of Old Providence, to recruit. This island lies N. N. W. from Aspinwall, in the direct track of the steamers bound to and from Cape Antonio, and is about 200 miles from the main, opposite the Coast of Nicaragua. It is six miles long by four broad, with a very extensive and dangerous reef about 18 miles in length, extending from it northwardly. It is of volcanic origin, and is peopled by about 1,000 negroes and whites, the former largely preponderating. There is not a great deal of arable land, but the island produces in abundance all the tropical fruits, and corn and other vegetables grow luxuriantly when planted. The oranges are of a delicious sort, being of thin skin and very sweet. There is an abundance of fine fish around the Island. The inhabitants are indolent and filthy, but hospitable to strangers. They sell the products of their land, such as pigs, poultry and fruit, at very low prices. Fine pigs can be bought for 50 cents, and other things in proportion. A good horse is worth $30. Little market schooners, manned by Jamaica negroes, ply to Aspinwall with fruit and provisions making the round trip in a week or ten days. The institution of marriage did not exist on the Island until recently, but the relations of the sexes, though formed on the free-love plan, were sacredly regarded. A missionary from Jamaica has taken up his residence there lately, and introduced marriage among them. Persons acquainted with their character, however, say they will backslide into their old habits as soon as the missionary dies or goes away. The Baltimore Pilot, who has lived long on the Island, entertains this opinion. The interior of the Island is never visited, and little is known concerning it, as there are no roads except those leading from one settlement to another around the shores. A Fort, built by the Buccaneers on a high bluff, on the southwest point of the Island, is still in good preservation. The old guns, which tradition says were loaded with silver dollars, and used against their enemies when other ammunition had failed them, still lie dismounted about the fort. A grave of one of their Generals is still pointed out under the cocoanut trees. The climate is beautiful, and there is much less rain than upon the neighboring continent. Some remarkable natural objects attract notice on approaching the Island. One is a high round hill which has been rent asunder from the top, and presents a deep fissure nearly to the base. It is called "split hill" and forms a land-mark for navigators by which to enter the harbor. Another is called "Morgan's Head," in honor to the great captain of the filibusters. It is a high, bald rock, standing upon the promontory you round to enter the harbor, and has a striking resemblance to the human head and features, with a thick growth of grass upon its top, which strongly suggests a luxuriant head of hair. Tradition mentions the existence of a fine lake of fresh water upon a high hill, somewhere in the interior, which the officers of a French war vessel once attempted to find, but could not. A place called "Fresh Water Bay" is resorted to by vessels from the vicinity, for filling their water-casks.

The position of this island is nearly in latitude 13° 28' north, longitude 81° 30' west. It belongs to Nicaragua, but that government has been too busy with its local affairs to extend any protection over it. The only act of jurisdiction attempted was when, some years since, they sent an agent there to collect taxes. He made poor headway, however, and the experiment has not been repeated. What little government there is seems to be of a most primitive kind—the governed being with the governors together a sort of happy family. Captain ENGLE considers it very important, for the safety of commerce, that a light-house should be placed upon it, as it lies directly in the track of steamers and vessels bound to and from Aspinwall. The steamer *Northern Light* touched upon the projecting reef, and was got off with much difficulty. Several other vessels have lately been wrecked here, among them a French bark, loaded with coal, whose Captain and crew were taken off by the *Wabash*.

After leaving Old Providence, the frigate paid a visit to St. Andrew's Island, about thirty miles distant; but as there was no safe anchorage she got under way for Aspinwall, without landing. She had not been long at their old station when news was received of the landing of General WALKER at Greytown. The visit of the *Wabash* to that place, and the facts connected with the seizure of WALKER, have been fully given. Some late publications of General HORNSBY touching his captivity and treatment on board the *Wabash*, and particularly his charges made against some of the officers, may hereafter receive some notice. The men who were employed in slinging General H. by a rope, and hoisting him in through one of the gun ports, say that he (HORNSBY) was the only drunken man in the whole party. General WALKER deported himself throughout as a gentleman, and everything was done to make his position comfortable. Captain ENGLE expresses some surprise in view of all the civilities extended to him, that he should have abused them for it in his Mobile and other speeches, since his return to the South.

The frigate remained at Aspinwall until the *Fulton* arrived with ADMASSOR's party, when she sailed for San Juan to communicate with Captain SANDS, of the *Susquehanna*, after which she sailed for Havana. Here she remained only one day on account of the prevailing sickness, and left for Key West. At that place the *Wabash* was run into the harbor, and up to the Government coal wharf; being the first ship of so large a tonnage and draft that was ever successfully moored there, the event was one of great interest to the people, as it has demonstrated the entire practicability and safety of the harbor for vessels of the largest class. It was feared, that going in light, she would be too deep when her coals were taken in to get out safely, but not the least difficulty was experienced. The coal was wheeled direct from the wharf into the main deck ports. A naval station of the first-class will be established here at no distant day. It is the key of the Gulf, easily accessible, and only 70 miles from Havana.

The crew were here given "liberty," and the inhabitants complimented them highly for their quiet, orderly behavior. No such crew, they said, had ever been ashore there before. A Lieutenant of the Navy, on duty at the light-house, said he should load his gun for the protection of the place if the men were allowed to land, but their gentlemanly conduct made him ashamed of his fears.

The frigate next went to Havana, where she lay one week, during which her officers visited the military governors and other city dignitaries, who in turn visited the *Wabash*. The crew were called to quarters, while inspection went on. The visitors expressed the highest gratification at the neat and orderly appearance and the perfect discipline of the crew. The Commodore and several of the officers dined with the Governor-General, of whom they speak in the highest terms.

The yacht *Wanderer*, a very handsome vessel commanded by Commodore JOHNSON and Captain HAWKINS, of the New-York Yacht Club, sailed in company with the *Wabash* from Key West, and they entered the harbor together. Commodore PAULDING visited the yacht and was received by a salute. The *Wanderer* attracted much attention at Havana, being visited by a great crowd of people. She was to sail for Key West and New-Orleans on the 10th instant. Havana was full of American ships. Freights were dull and likely to continue so. Captains expressed their gratification at the visit. One captain said he had been there a long time, and did not expect to get away for a month. He would be obliged to take a cargo at rates which would be a loss to him personally of $500—money he had earned by hard work at $18 a month.

The *Wabash* steamed out of the harbor of Havana on the 9th, bound for New-York. She had an unusually rough passage even for Winter, encountering heavy northwest gales, almost from the start, and a heavy sea. After passing Hatteras she had a heavy gale of wind, directly ahead, and the heaviest sea ever experienced by the ship. The vessel, forward, was covered with ice. The change from the warm weather of the tropics was keenly felt by the officers and crew, the thermometer being at 10° on the night before entering the harbor of New-York. Captain ENGLE joined the ship almost as soon as her anchor was down. The crew are to be paid off, and the *Wabash* will probably be recommissioned for the Mediterranean.

## Personal.

Mr. Silsbee, the new Mayor of Salem, Mass., has put forth his views touching the Temperance question, greatly to the astonishment of the people. He opposes prohibitory laws, and adds: "I have not only studied this subject at home, but in various nations abroad; and have invariably found those the most temperate where the vine grew best, and where all had the freest enjoyment of its blessings. The further North you go among civilized nations, the further they are removed from the unadulterated use of the grape, and the higher the price of its products, the greater you will find the intemperance of such region of country."

"Servant-gal-ism" is rampant in Boston. The *Transcript* says: "One Irish girl left her situation as soon as she discovered that the house was not supplied with water-pipes. She said, 'She could not remain in a family that were so old-fashioned as to *pump the water* they used.' In another instance a foreign maid left a good place because she said 'She had always been accustomed to live with people who used their silver tea set *every day*.' She therefore declined a place where the silver tea set was used only on extra occasions."

A lad named O'Donnell, run over on the Hudson River Railroad at Troy last week, suffers curious sensations. Although his leg was amputated, he says he can still feel his toes hitting against the bed-post, feel the leg moving about in bed, and a slight pain in the calf, caused by over-exertion in riding down hill. He had a corn on one of his toes, and said it pained him very much.

Speaker Holsman, of the New-Jersey House of Assembly, entertained 150 guests at Trenton on Tuesday. Governor Newell was called to preside. The Newark *Mercury* says: "Mr. Speaker Holsman is one of the youngest men ever placed in the Chair of a deliberative body, being only twenty-four years of age; yet he has secured for himself the esteem and approbation of the members, without distinction of party."

Out in Plover, Wis., lately, a religious revival was conducted by a clergyman noted for his piety and muscle. A number of young bloods, who endeavored to cut up, were severely reprimanded. They felt insulted, and proceeded to punish him. The result was, that he put them to flight with a shillelah, administering a few wholesome cracks.

The late Chevalier François Andre Michaux, the distinguished botanist, who, together with his father, traveled throughout the United States, has bequeathed to the American Philosophical Society the sum of $14,000 for special purposes connected with his constant aspirations, "the progress of agriculture with reference to the propagation of useful forest trees."

Rev. Henry Jessup and wife, of the Syrian Mission, expect to sail early next week, from Boston, for Smyrna, from whence they will proceed direct to their station. Mr. Jessup is son of Judge Jessup, of Pennsylvania, and a graduate of the Union Theological Seminary, New-York.

Hon. T. L. Clingman, Professor Phillips, and other distinguished personages, are engaged in a wordy warfare in the newspapers of North Carolina, to establish the fact whether the late Dr. Mitchell was or was not the first man who gained the top of Black Mountain on a scientific exploration.

John Hancock, Esq., nephew of Gov. John Hancock, of revolutionary memory, will complete his 84th year on the 22d inst., when the "Hancock House," in Boston, will see one of those hearty old-fashioned times for which it has been heretofore famous.

We regret to learn that Hon. Clarkson F. Crosby, of West Troy, is dangerously ill in this City, and that no hopes are entertained of his recovery. He has but just returned from the South, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health, and was too ill to reach his home.

The Duc de Brabant is having a splendid service of plate manufactured in England; nothing to be of silver but the dinner-plates. The remainder is gold. The value of the set is stated at upwards of £40,000.

The French journals report the death of ROSE PARQUINE, at the age of 101 years. She had been a servant in the same family since 1777, a period of eighty years.

The health of Rev. Henry M. Scudder is so much broken that he must leave India and visit this country. Mr. Scudder's station was Vellore.

Rev. Dr. Hague, of Albany, has accepted a call from the Lexington-avenue Baptist Church, in this City, and will enter upon the pastorate in May.

JOHN B. GOUGH has returned from Scotland to London, where he has been lecturing to immense audiences.

The consecration of Bishop Lynch, new Roman Catholic incumbent of Charleston, will take place in March.

Hon. J. T. Headley is engaged in the preparation of a Life of Gen. Havelock.

Bishop Potter, of Pennsylvania, is gradually recovering from his severe illness.

Prof. Loomis, of Waterville, has accepted the Presidency of Lewisburg University.

Miss ADA PHILLIPS' benefit at the Opera in Havana netted the handsome sum of $2,000.

Edwin Forrest has returned to Philadelphia, convalescent.

## Weather Reports.

By the Northern, Eastern, Western, and Southern Telegraph Lines—Office No. 21 Wall-street.

| Places. | Time Feb. 19. | Wind. | Ther. | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| St. Johns, N.F. | A. M. | N. W. | 37°as | Clear. |
| Calais, Me. | A. M. | N. W. | 3°bs | Clear. |
| St. John, N.B. | A. M. | N. W. | 3°bs | Clear. |
| Charlottetown | A. M. | W. | 8°bs | Cold. |
| Portland, Me. | A. M. | E. | 24°as | Snowing. |
| Boston, Mass. | A. M. | S. | 6°as | Clear. |
| New-York | A. M. | N.N.W. | 19°as | Snowing. |
| Washington | A. M. | N. W. | 20°as | Snowing. |
| Janesville, Wis. | A. M. | N. W. | 11°as | Snowing. |
| Prairie du Chien | A. M. | N. W. | 22°as | Snowing. |
| Dubuque, Iowa | A. M. | — | 18°as | Cloudy. |
| Rock Island, Ill. | A. M. | N. | 18°as | Cloudy. |
| Fulton, Ill. | A. M. | N. E. | 16°as | Cloudy. |
| Burlington, Ia. | A. M. | N. E. | 16°as | Snowing. |
| Springfield, Ill. | A. M. | — | 20°as | Snowing. |
| Portage City | A. M. | — | 17°as | Snowing. |
| Milwaukee, Wis. | A. M. | — | 20°as | Snowing. |
| Louisville, Ky. | A. M. | N. W. | 26°as | Cloudy. |
| Chicago, Ill. | A. M. | — | 24°as | Snowing. |
| St. Louis, Mo. | A. M. | — | 20°as | Cloudy. |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | A. M. | N. E. | 6°as | Clear. |
| Columbus, O. | A. M. | — | 23°as | Snowing. |
| Toledo, Ohio | A. M. | — | 18°as | Snowing. |
| Cleveland, O. | A. M. | N. E. | 16°as | Snowing. |
| Pittsburg, Pa. | A. M. | — | 20°as | Snowing. |
| Philadelphia | A. M. | N. E. | 18°as | Snowing. |
| Portsmouth, N.H. | A. M. | — | 8°bs | Cloudy—snowing. |
| Plymouth, Mass. | A. M. | N. W. | 4°bs | Clear. |
| Boston, Mass. | A. M. | W. | 26°as | Clear. |
| St. Johnsbury | A. M. | N. | 7°bs | — |
| Ogdensburg | A. M. | N. | 16°as | — |
| Rouse's Point | A. M. | N. E. | 20°as | Clear. |
| Burlington, Vt. | A. M. | N. | 4°bs | — |
| W'ts Riv., Junc. | A. M. | N. | 9°bs | Clear. |
| Malone, N. Y. | A. M. | W. | 12°as | — |
| Springfield, M. | A. M. | — | 22°as | Appearance snow. |
| Tuscumbia, Ala. | A. M. | N. W. | 43°as | Cloudy. |
| New-Orleans | A. M. | — | 61¼° | Cloudy and cloudy. |
| Nashville, Tenn. | A. M. | — | 32°as | Snowing slightly. |
| Yorkburg | A. M. | N. W. | 49°as | Clear. |
| Wilmington | P. M. | N. E. | 18°as | Snowing hard. |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | P. M. | N. E. | 11°as | Cold and snowing. |
| Dunkirk, N. Y. | P. M. | S. W. | — | Snowing, blowing. |
| Borasellville | P. M. | S. E. | — | Snowing. |
| Elmira, N. Y. | P. M. | S. E. | 20°as | Snowing fast. |
| Newburg, N. Y. | P. M. | N. | 13°as | Snowing. |
| Peekskill, N. Y. | P. M. | N. | 8°as | Snowing fast. |
| Fort Jervis | P. M. | — | 14°as | Snowing fast. |
| Albany, N. Y. | P. M. | N. W. | 10°as | Snowing hard. |
| Schenectady | P. M. | N. | 16°as | Cloudy. |
| Utica, N. Y. | P. M. | W. | 16°as | Snowing. |
| Syracuse, N. Y. | P. M. | W. | 13°as | Snowing hard. |
| Springfield, M. | P. M. | — | 18°as | Snowing. |
| Boston, Mass. | TP. M. | N. E. | 26°as | Indicating snow. |
| Portland, Me. | P. M. | S. W. | 18°as | Overcast. |
| St. John, N.B. | P. M. | N. | 11°as | Clear. |
| Calais, Me. | P. M. | N. W. | 6°as | Clear. |
| Hartford, Conn. | P. M. | — | 16°as | Snowing. |

THE ATHENIAN NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT.—The troupe of model artists arrested on Thursday night at Metropolitan Hall, were yesterday morning taken before the Mayor. After a reprimand from the Mayor, and a promise to follow some more reputable business in future, the girls were let off with giving bonds in $500 each to keep the peace. Charles Marsh and Louisa, his wife, were required to give bail in $2,000 each to answer a charge of keeping a disorderly house. Mr. William Reimer, proprietor of Volks Garden, became bondsman for the entire party. The female artists were all German girls, from 16 to 22 years of age. Some of them stated that they had not been in this country three months.

A NEW RAILROAD MAP.—We have received a copy of "H. V. Poor's New and Complete Map of all the Railroads in Operation and Progress in the United States and Canada." The map is corrected to the latest dates, and gives a reliable representation of the great Railroad interest of the United States, comprising over 26,000 miles. It is of very convenient size—36x44 inches—to hang in an office. It is published by J. H. SCHULTZ & Co., of the *American Railroad Journal* office, No. 9 Spruce-street.

SAVED FROM FIRE.—The recent fire in Maiden-lane was not so disastrous to the principal sufferer, Mr. CHARLES ARKENFELDS, as was at first expected. His books and papers, with a large sum of money in bills and checks, were uninjured, having been locked in one of HERRING's Safes. If these had been destroyed, his losses, which now amount to $20,000 above his insurance, would have been far greater than they were.

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## MARRIED.

THOMPSON—HAYS.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 18, by Rev. Peter Stryker, CHARLES F. THOMPSON to HANNAH W. HAYS.

SCOTT—FORBES.—In this City, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Mr. Leeds, JAMES O. SCOTT to Miss ANNE E., daughter of William Forbes, Esq., of this City.

GRAFF—REVELEY.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Feb. 17, by Rev. Chas. Kelsey, Mr. GEORGE GRAFF, of Brooklyn, to SARAH E. REVELEY, of Cornwall, N. Y.

## DIED.

HAYWARD.—In this City, on Friday, Feb. 19, ELIZABETH LYDIA, youngest child of John and Almyra Hayward, aged 7 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are requested to attend the funeral, on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of her parents, No. 266 Grand-st., without further notice.

GAFFEY.—In this City, on Friday morning, Feb. 19, BERNARD GAFFEY, aged 20 years.

The friends and relatives of the family, and those of his brothers-in-law, Thomas Morris and John Mullaly, also of his father-in-law, James McCoy, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 23 Bayard-st., on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 o'clock, precisely.

SHILLWELL.—In this City, on Friday, Feb. 19, J. OSCAR SHILLWELL, in the 22d year of his age.

His relatives and friends and those of his family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on Sunday, at 12 o'clock M., from his late residence, No. 426 7th-av., without further notice.

[illegible], on Friday morning, Feb. 19, of consumption, MARY ANN, wife of Rev. Chas. W. Harris, Pastor of the First M. E. Church, Jersey City, in the 44th year of her age.

The friends and relatives are invited to attend the funeral of the deceased, at Orange, on Monday, Feb. 22, at 2 o'clock P. M. Rev. Bishop JAMES, D. D., will officiate. Montreal papers please copy.

HOLBROOK.—In this City, on Thursday morning, Feb. 18, MARIA, youngest daughter of Henry C. and Maria Holbrook, in the 6th year of her age.

The friends of the family, and members of Knickerbocker Lodge No. 22, F. A. M., are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, No. 68 3d-av., near 10th-st., on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1 P. M.

HOBBINGS.—In this City, on Thursday, Feb. 18, CAROLINE L., wife of George F. Hobbings, in the 36th year of her age.

The friends of her husband, and of her father, James Herring, are invited to attend her funeral, on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 10 o'clock, from No. 288 Bleecker.

WOODWARD.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Feb. 18, WILLIAM WOODWARD, in the 76th year of his age.

His friends, the friends of the family, and of his father, the late Anthony Woodward, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 200 Pacific-st., between Smith and Hicks sts., Brooklyn, at 11 o'clock A. M., on Saturday, Feb. 20, without further invitation.

WEBER.—On Friday, Feb. 19, WILLIAM H. WEBER, in the 44th year of his age.

The friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on Sunday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, from the residence of his brother, Tunis Weber, at Fort Washington.

WHITAKER.—At Hudson, N. Y., on Wednesday, Feb. 10, JESSIE R. WHITAKER, daughter of Rev. W. Whitaker, aged 19 years.

ARNOLD.—At Elizabeth, N. J., on Friday morning, Feb. 19, after a brief illness, Mrs. CATHARINE ARNOLD, formerly of Saratoga, aged 84 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, at the residence of her son-in-law, John Schweizer, at Elizabeth, on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 1½ o'clock P. M., without further notice.

BARTLEY.—At Orange, N. J., on Thursday, Feb. 18, Mrs. ELIZABETH BARTLEY, aged 73 years.

Funeral at her late residence, on Saturday, at 10 o'clock.

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FOR FEB. 21, 1858,

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FOWLING-GUNS, RIFLES,
PISTOLS, and SPORTING ARTICLES.

TABLE AND POCKET CUTLERY,
ROGERS', WOSTENHOLM'S, CROSBY', AND SHERMAN'S.

FOREIGN AND AMERICAN JEWELRY,
PLATED WARE AND FANCY GOODS

LONDON AND PARIS PERFUMERY.
LOW'S BROWN windsor SOAP,
LUBIN'S EXTRACTS, &c.

TERMS:

SIX MONTHS' CREDIT:
NOTES PAYABLE AT BANK.

COLT'S REVOLVING PISTOL

## AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—THIS EVENING, Lucia di Lammermoor, Mme. Bosio, Signor Lotti, Signor Ronconi, Signor Marini, Signor Bellini, Signor Rocco, Signor Vera, Signor Ferri, Signor Ferranti, Signor Vera, Signor Ferri, Signor Ferranti, Signor Vera, Signor Ferri, Signor Ferranti

## FINANCIAL.

ANNUAL ARRANGEMENT OF THE MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, OF NEW-YORK.

INCOMES DURING THE YEAR.

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|---|---|
| [illegible] | $2,197,948 79 |
| [illegible] | 2,000,000 00 |
| [illegible] | 877,466 71 |
| [illegible] | 19,726 36 |
| [illegible] | 1,009 02— 1,164,203 97 |
| | $4,364,652 73 |

DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE YEAR.

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| Paid claims, by death, including [illegible] | $317,040 33 |
| [illegible] | 83,039 04 |
| [illegible] | 7,407 72 |
| [illegible] | 48,476 22 |
| [illegible] | 466,024 74 |
| [illegible] | 4,498,445 59 |
| [illegible] | 145,923 62 |
| [illegible] | 80,455 30 |
| [illegible] | 1,496 04 |
| Net Assets Jan. 31, 1858 | $4,665,908 95 |
| Net dividends to policy-holders this year | $697,963 19 |
| [illegible] | No. |
| [illegible] | 8,194 |
| [illegible] | 10,290 |
| [illegible] | 1,863 |

QUINQUENNIAL STATEMENT OF THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK, FOR FIVE YEARS ENDING JAN. 31, 1858:

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| Receipts since Feb. 1, 1853 | $3,056,959 60 |
| [illegible] | $2,612,812 27 |
| [illegible] | 148,023 62 |
| [illegible] | $2,660,735 89 |
| [illegible] | $887,806 72 |
| [illegible] | 51,981 34 |
| [illegible] | 1,009 742 00 |
| [illegible] | 16,606 47 |
| [illegible] | 68,182 72 |
| [illegible] | 4,782,655 14 |
| Total | $6,809,614 83 |

DISBURSEMENTS SINCE FEBRUARY 1, 1853.

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| [illegible] | $1,817,648 43 |
| [illegible] | $1,000 00—$1,376,642 43 |
| [illegible] | 308,443 74 |
| [illegible] | 104,180 61 |
| [illegible] | 285,718 83 |
| [illegible] | 169,601 57—$2,123,705 98 |
| | $4,685,906 95 |

INVESTED AS FOLLOWS:

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|---|---|
| [illegible] | $145,637 46 |
| [illegible] | 4,321,052 36 |
| [illegible] | 18,579 15 |
| [illegible] | 145,923 62 |
| [illegible] | 80,455 30 |
| [illegible] | 7,461 04—$4,685,908 95 |

[illegible] APPROPRIATED.

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|---|---|
| [illegible] | $2,608,867 22 |
| [illegible] | 59,503 72 |
| [illegible] | 17,844 97 |
| [illegible] | 156,916 50 |
| [illegible] | 459,261 01 |
| [illegible] | 112,207 18 |
| [illegible] | 71,419 22 |
| [illegible] | 2,290 97 |
| [illegible] | 36,000 00 |
| [illegible] | 1,142,503 16—$4,668,908 95 |

[illegible] $1,142,503 16, which sum includes a surplus of $1,000,000, [illegible] contingencies of nearly $300,000, [illegible] of reinsurance, according to the [illegible] Mortality at 4 per cent. and [illegible] the sample fund to meet all other obligations [illegible] leave a surplus of $1,142,503 16, [illegible] to be recommended as applicable to the purpose of Dividends on existing Policies, according [illegible]

SCHEDULE OF DIVIDEND STATEMENT.

[illegible] entitled to participate in this Dividend are such as have been insured on existing Policies, since [illegible] Table Rates of Insurance, and as are entitled to [illegible] the risk on each Policy to Feb. 1, [illegible]

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|---|---|
| [illegible] | $1,074,627 66 |
| [illegible] | 11,247 24 |
| [illegible] | 3,999 59 |
| [illegible] | 1,971 01 |
| [illegible] | 19,209 66 |
| Unclaimed Surplus | 1,508 20—$1,142,503 16 |

Respectfully submitted,
SHEPPARD HOMANS, Actuary.

[illegible] the formulas which [illegible] the computations of the Third [illegible] of the Mutual Life Insurance [illegible] and are satisfied that they are [illegible] mathematical principles, and that in [illegible] the aforesaid Dividend, they furnish [illegible] to be assured.

HENRY JAR. ANDERSON, } Auditors.
HORACE WEBSTER, }

NEW-YORK, Feb. 12, 1858.

[illegible] at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held at the Office [illegible] Wednesday Afternoon, Feb. 17, 1858, [illegible] was resolved, that a Dividend of 40 per cent. be declared [illegible] Participating Premiums paid on existing [illegible] Jan. 31, 1858, according to the recommendation [illegible] Finance Committee and con[illegible] statement.

[illegible] the amount of value of this Dividend will be added to the credit of such Policy. The amounts to be credited to each Policy will be ascertained by the 1st of March.

FRED'K S. WINSTON, President.

[illegible] 17, 1858.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

| | |
|---|---|
| FRED. S. WINSTON, | JOHN WADSWORTH, |
| MILLARD FILLMORE, | WM. J. BUNKER, |
| ROYAL BROADLEY, | SAMUEL M. CORNELL, |
| WILLIAM W. SEADY, | SAMUEL E. SPROULLS, |
| [illegible] | JOHN STUART, |
| [illegible] | HAMILIN BLAKE, |
| JOHN J. LEFFLYN, | ALFRED EDWARDS, |
| WILLIAM BETTS, | LUCIUS ROBINSON, |
| ISAAC G. PEARSON, | SAMUEL D. SACCOUK, |
| WILLIAM MOORE, | WILLIAM S. COE, |
| JOHN C. SWIFT, | CHARLES J. STEDMAN, |
| [illegible] | CEPHAS R. SNORTON, |
| RICHARD PATRICK, | JOHN L. SCHIEFFELIN, |
| [illegible] | EZRA WHEELER, |
| NATHANIEL HAYDEN, | WM. H. POPHAM, |
| [illegible] | LYCURGUS EDGERTON, |
| ABRAHAM SHINGLER, | W. SMITH BROWN, |
| JOHN A. WILLIAMSON, | GEORGE K. CLARK, |

[illegible] FRED'K S. WINSTON, President.
[illegible] SHEPPARD HOMANS, Actuary.
[illegible] Medical Examiner.

SEVENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE MANHATTAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, of New-York, for the business of 1857, opposite the Post-Office.

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|---|---|
| Jan. 1, 1858. | |
| Capital Stock | $100,000 00 |
| [illegible] | 255,800 19—$355,800 19 |
| [illegible] | |
| [illegible] | 62,520 75 |
| [illegible] | 4,041 66 |
| Amount of premiums received | |
| [illegible] | 365,876 67 |
| Amount of interest account for the year | |
| [illegible] | 43,509 13—$317,105 80 |
| Total | $733,585 82 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|---|---|
| Claims by death | $27,202 00 |
| Expenses, taxes and commission | 41,254 66 |
| Reinsurance and purchased policies | |
| [illegible] | 10,858 95 |
| Dividends on capital | 16,000 00—$126,076 65 |

ASSETS.

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|---|---|
| Bonds and mortgages on property in New-York and Brooklyn, worth double the amount loaned | $241,300 00 |
| Premium Loans at 7 per cent. in-[illegible] | 234,191 37 |
| Bonds, accounts for premiums in course of collection and transmission | |
| [illegible] | 77,493 38 |
| [illegible] | 3,486 00 |
| [illegible] | 28,249 09 |
| [illegible] and Stocks | 17,500 00 |
| [illegible] | 7,285 43—$609,505 25 |
| | $733,585 82 |

[illegible] deferred are not included.

The business of the Company during the last year, notwithstanding the ordinary revulsion in the monetary affairs of the country, has steadily progressed, showing a net increase of more than 33 per cent. in the number of policies issued, and 20 per cent. in the amount of premiums.

The accumulations of the Company have reached a sum equal to six times the amount of the Capital Stock, and with the growing business and extended popularity of the institution, secured by the liberal policy pursued in the management of its business, guarantee a successful and prosperous future.

The directors hereby [illegible] a continuance of patronage, and [illegible] all the importance as a Life Insurance [illegible] offering an endowment for families, and [illegible] from the changes and chances of ordinary modes of investment.

N. D. MORGAN, President.

G. L. [illegible], Secretary.

ST. LOUIS CITY 6 PER CENT. BONDS. (Semi-Annual.)

St. Louis County 6 per cent. Roads.
St. Louis County 7 per cent. Bonds. (Short.)
Quincy City 7 per cent. Bonds.
Keokuk City 7 per cent. Bonds.
Keokuk City 6 per cent. Bonds. (Short.)

For sale by CLARK, DODGE & CO.

## FINANCIAL.

DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.,
BANKERS,
CORNER PINE AND NASSAU-STS., NEW-YORK.

CIRCULAR NOTES AND LETTERS OF CREDIT, for travelers, available in all the principal cities of the world. Also,

MERCANTILE CREDITS,
for use in EUROPE, CHINA, etc.

OFFICE MANHATTAN OIL COMPANY, NO. 16 BROADWAY.—NEW-YORK, Feb. 8, 1858.—The stockholders of the Manhattan Oil Company are hereby notified that the new certificates of the Capital Stock, as reduced at a meeting of the stockholders, Dec. 2, 1857, in compliance with the law applicable thereto, are now ready to be delivered on surrender of the old certificates.

N. T. HIGBIE, } Committee
WM. E. BIRD, } of
N. T. CARRYL, } Stockholders.

JAMES M. MOTLEY, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD CO., NEW-YORK, Feb. 20, 1858.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Subscription List, both in New-York and London, for the Optional Right Bonds, is now closed, except in respect to a portion of the July Options, the holders of which may yet surrender them, and become subscribers to the balance of the New Loan, carrying with it the extended option for three years.

J. N. PERKINS, Treasurer.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE, BOSTON, Feb. 13, 1858.

ALL PERSONS HAVING OVERDUE COUPON Obligations of this Company are hereby notified that the same will be paid on presentation at this office. All other liabilities will be met at maturity.

ISAAC LIVERMORE, Treasurer.

SEVERAL SUMS OF MONEY TO LOAN on Bond and Mortgage. Down-town property preferred. Apply to GEO. E. CRUGER, No. 98 Pine-st., office J. M. SUERMT, (basement.)

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY'S Notes and Acceptances. Also, Illinois Central Optional Right Scrip, wanted by E. A. BENEDICT, No. 63 William-st. E

NEW-ORLEANS AND MOBILE FUNDS WANTED.—By BENEDICT & CO., No. 63 Wall-st.

## DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND.—OFFICE OF THE STUYVESANT Insurance Company, No. 153 Bowery, New-York, Feb. 41, 1858. The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of Seven (7) per cent. payable to the Stockholders on and after the 20th inst. The transfer books will be closed until that date.

BENJAMIN J. PENTZ, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE LA CROSSE AND MILWAUKEE Railroad Co., No. 10 Nassau-st., New-York, Feb. 12, 1858.—The interest on the Farm mortgages of this Company, which, by the terms of the mortgages, will date Jan. 1, 1858, will be paid, on presentation of the coupons at the office of the Company, No. 420 Broadway, in the City of Albany, on and after the 20th instant.

BOSTON, CONCORD AND MONTREAL RAILROAD CO.—The Coupons on the Bonds of the above Company, due on the 15th of February, 1858, will be paid by J. A. UNDERWOOD & SON, No. 52 Exchange-place.

## INSURANCE.

MARKET FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
OFFICE NO. 37 WALL-STREET.

At the annual election held on the 8th instant,

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| PHILETUS H. HOLT, | STEPHEN LININGTON, |
| JOSEPH P. WICKHAM, | ENOCH KETCHAM, |
| SILAS DAVIS, | WILLIAM A. CUMMINGS, |
| OLIVER H. SHEPARD, | HENRY LYLES, Jr., |
| HENRY BOWLAND, | BREWSTER VALENTINE |
| ALFRED L. ROWE, | GEORGE B. WHITFIELD, |
| WILLIAM P. MILLER, | ALBERT HAVEMEYER, |
| STEPHEN W. GAINES, | ISAAC H. SMITH, |
| ELISHA D. WALTON, | TEUNIS W. QUICK, |
| NELSON SHERWOOD, | ROBERT F. SAGE, |
| HENRY G. REEVE, | DAVID M. TURNURE, |
| DANIEL T. WILLETS, | JOSE T. NAVARRO, |
| ALBERT L. DE CAMP, | ASHER TAYLOR, |
| JOHN M. BRUCE, Jr., | EDWARD BILL, |
| BENJAMIN H. HOWELL, | NATHANIEL W. CHATER, |

were elected Directors of this Company for the ensuing year; and at a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day, BENJAMIN H. HOWELL, Esq., was reelected President, and ASHER TAYLOR, Esq., was reelected Vice-President. HENRY P. FREEMAN, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 9, 1858.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY—OFFICE NO. 153 BOWERY, CORNER OF BROOME-STREET.—Feb. 11, 1858.—At the Annual Election, held this day, the following-named gentlemen were duly elected for the ensuing year:

DIRECTORS.

| | | |
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| Frederick R. Lee, | John R. Faxton, | Samuel Willets, |
| George L. Osborn, | Bartlet Smith, | Samuel Weeks, |
| Henry Shields, | Adam W. Spies, | Andre Fromont, |
| Cornel's L. Everett, | Joseph H. Godwin, | Edwin Pierson, |
| Alfred Moore, | John A. Deveau, | Benja'n W. Floyd, |
| Henry J. Bowen, | A. Stewart Black, | Denton Pearsall, |
| D. Hennessey, | Charles J. Dodge, | S. Abrahams, M.D. |
| Alonzo A. Alvord, | John Shortwell, | Corn's B. Timpson, |
| | James Humes. | |

And for Inspectors of the next annual election:

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|---|---|---|
| Robert R. Willets, | Edward Brown, | David Seaman. |

At a subsequent meeting of the Board FREDERICK R. LEE, Esq., was unanimously reelected President, and SAMUEL WILLETS was unanimously reelected Vice-President. BENJAMIN J. PENTZ, Secretary.

## BANK NOTICES.

DANBY BANK.—RECEIVER'S NOTICE.—IT WAS ordered by the Court of Chancery for the State of Vermont, on the 29th day of Dec., A. D. 1857, that the undersigned be appointed Receiver of the DANBY BANK, and that all persons holding the bills, or having claims against said bank, present the same for allowance to the undersigned, at his office in Manchester, Vermont, within one year from the said 29th day of Dec., 1857; and in default of such presentment, said bills and claims be forever barred. And it was further ordered by the Court aforesaid, that notice be given to all persons interested in said bank, by publishing the substance of said order, for eight successive weeks in the Rutland *Herald* and Bennington *Banner*, and in one paper printed at Buffalo, in the State of New-York, and in one paper printed at Chicago, in the State of Illinois, and for six weeks continuously in the *New-York Times* and the Boston *Post*.

WINCHESTER, Vermont, Jan. 16, 1858.

A. L. MINER, Receiver.

MARINERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION—3d-av., corner 9th-st., open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M., and on Wednesday and Saturday from 5 to 8 P. M. Interest allowed on deposits. I. T. SMITH, Sec'y.

## COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

COPARTNERSHIP.—THE UNDERSIGNED have this day formed a copartnership under the firm and style of CLARK, DODGE & CO., for the purpose of transacting a general banking, exchange and stock commission business in the City of New-York.

LUTHER C. CLARK,
EDWARD DODGE,
THOS. P. HUNTINGTON,
JOHN D. MAXWELL,
DAVID CRAWFORD, Jr.,
JOSEPH W. CLARK.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 15, 1858.

COPARTNERSHIP.—The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership under the firm and style of CLARK, BROTHERS & CO., for the purpose of transacting a general banking exchange and collection business in the City of St. Louis.

JOSEPH W. CLARK,
EDWARD DODGE,
LUTHER C. CLARK
EDWARD CHASE.

St. LOUIS, Feb. 15, 1858.

DISSOLUTION.—THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing under the firm of WILLIAMSON, MANN & CO. is this day dissolved by mutual consent, EDWARD H. MANN retiring from business.

Signed, DAVID A. WILLIAMSON,
EDWARD H. MANN,
CHARLES T. GRIFFITH.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1858.

COPARTNERSHIP.—The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership under the firm of WILLIAMSON, GRIFFITH & CO., who will continue the business of the late firm of WILLIAMSON, MANN & CO.

Signed, DAVID A. WILLIAMSON,
CHARLES T. GRIFFITH,
D. D. WILLIAMSON, Jr.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1858.

DISSOLUTION.—THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing under the name and style of N. STRUELENS & CO, has this day dissolved by its own limitation. The business will be continued by the undersigned under the firm of STRUELENS & PALMER.

NAZAIRE STRUELENS,
THOMAS PALMER.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS DAY formed a copartnership, under the firm and style of SEYMOUR & AGNEW, for the purpose of transacting a general brokerage business in the City of New-York.

W. L. SEYMOUR,
S. J. AGNEW.

New-York, Feb. 19, 1858.

COPARTNERSHIP.—WILLIAM P. MILLER having associated WILLIAM J. BICKNELL with him, they will continue the hide and leather business at No. 96 Gold-st., under the firm of WM. P. MILLER & CO.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1858.

## IRON AND HARDWARE.

THOMAS PIG IRON—SOFT, FREE, STRONG, and a warranted substitute for Scotch Pig.
JOHN W. QUINCY & CO., No. 98 William-st.

BANCA TIN, INGOT COPPER, SPELTER, Antimony, &c., for sale by
JOHN W. QUINCY & CO., No. 98 William-st.

LIGHTNING-ROD INSULATORS AT wholesale, cheap for cash. Also, rods manufactured by the ton at cost. LYON MANF'G CO., No. 85 John-st.

MOUNT-HOPE CUT NAILS, SUPERIOR quality; none better in market. Agents,
JOHN W. QUINCY & CO., No. 98 William-st.

O. AMES & SON'S SHOVELS AND SPADES.—For sale by JOHN W. QUINCY & CO., 98 William-st.

## WINES AND LIQUORS.

HUNGARIAN WINES.—THE IMPORTERS, BREUND & GROSSINGER, No. 106 Water-st, are now selling their pure, unadulterated wines, wholesale and by retail, to suit the times. Price lists free by post.

SALAMANDER SAFE.—ONE OF HERRING'S large-size salamander safes, will be sold at a very low price. Apply to the Bull's Head Bank, No. 528 3d-av.

## PUBLIC NOTICES.

NEW-YORK STATE CANALS.—NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.—OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CANALS, ALBANY, Feb. 15, 1858.—In pursuance of the Contracting Board, notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received for the work on the Erie, Oswego, Champlain, Cayuga and Seneca, Genesee, Black River, and Chenango Canals, in the city hall of Rochester, on the 24th day of March, next, at 10 o'clock A. M., for furnishing all the materials and performing all the work, in such manner as may be required, or keep in good repair and in perfect navigable condition during such time in each year as the Canal Commissioners or Commissioner in charge shall direct, for a period of five years from the 25th day of March next, viz.:

Feasibly to Reach the Chenango Canal and Feeder.....$2,000
Section No. 3 Chenango Canal.....8,000
Together with all and each of the State Dams, Structures, Feeders and Reservoirs connected therewith.

Every proposal shall be accompanied by an affidavit indorsed thereon, or upon paper uniting in such proposal, that he is not directly or indirectly interested in any other proposal for the same work or materials, or any part of the same; that he has no agreement or understanding with any other person to become interested in any other proposal or contract for the same work or materials, or any part thereof, and that no other person than such as shall be named in the proposal is interested in the same, or has any agreement or understanding to become interested in any contract that may be made in pursuance of such proposal.

Every proposal for the above-mentioned work or materials must be accompanied with a bond in the penalty of this State, in the penalty specified above, and which bond shall be signed by the party making such proposal and two sureties, satisfactory sureties, with such evidence of their responsibility as the Contracting Board shall require, and which surety shall justify in sums equal in the aggregate to twice the amount of such penalty.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certificate of the Supervisor of the town, and the County Clerk, or the County Judge of the County in which said surety shall reside, or any two of them, as to the responsibility of said sureties.

The persons to whom the work may be awarded will be required by the Contracting Board to give the bond for the payment of laborers' wages, as required by chapter 278, of the laws of 1850.

No acceptance of a proposal or award of a contract by the Contracting Board, and no contract made by them, or any interest in the same, shall be assignable to any person or persons, without the written consent of the Canal Commissioners.

The Commissioners will reserve fifteen per cent. of the amount of each relative monthly estimate of work done and materials delivered, as a security to the State for the performance of the contract, and at the expiration of the third month of each year, the fifteen per cent. thus retained during the previous year, shall be paid to the contractor, providing the provisions of the contract shall have been fully complied with.

In case the Contracting Board shall be of opinion that the proposals received at any meeting thereof, pursuant to any advertisement, are, in consequence of such combination or otherwise, excessive and disadvantageous to the State, they may decline all or any of the said proposals, and advertise anew for the work and materials embraced therein.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to receive the boats, tools and other implements specified in the following Schedule, and allow therefor the respective prices therein stated, viz.:

SCHEDULE.

SECTION NO. 3 CHENANGO CANAL.

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| 16,500 feet B. M. Oak, for lock gate at $20 | $330 00 |
| 36,000 feet B. M. Pine timber for locks at $15 | 525 00 |
| 15,000 feet B. M. Pine plank for locks at $15 | 225 00 |
| 2,500 feet B. M. Pine timber for bridges at $15 | 37 50 |
| 2,000 feet B. M. Hemlock at $7 | 14 00 |
| | $1,131 00 |

CHENANGO CANAL AND FEEDER.

In charge of B. F. BAILEY, Superintendent.

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|---|---|
| 1 Broad Axe, $2; 2 Narrow Axe, $4 | $6 00 |
| 1 Small Boat, $12; 2 Grass Rope, $3 | 15 00 |
| 4 Tool Chests, $6; 1 pair Cant Hooks, $1 | 7 00 |
| 3 Lamps, $2; 3 Lamp Filters, 94c | 3 94 |
| 20 Picks, $22; 2 Plows, $7 | 29 00 |
| 2 Pumps, $1 50; 1 Cross Cut Saw, $4 | 5 50 |
| 1 File Driver and Fixtures | 225 00 |
| 1 Stone Scow, $250; 1 Gravel Scow, $175 | 225 00 |
| 10 Scythes, $7 50; 5 Scythe Snaths, $12 50 | 20 00 |
| 8 Scrapers, $18; 128 Shovels, $123 21 | 141 21 |
| 1 Grind Stone, $8; 115 Wheel Barrows, $225 | 233 00 |
| 1 Wrench, 75c.; 1 Rope 80 feet long, $4 | 4 75 |
| 1 Lighter for Mowing | 30 00 |
| Total | $950 56 |

In charge of W. L. KIDDER, Resident Engineer.

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| 12,280 feet Hemlock Plank | $92 00 |
| 3,573 feet B. M. Hemlock Timber | 25 01 |
| 1,000 feet Oak Timber, Plank and Boards | 112 12 |
| 1,000 feet of Timber | 5 00 |
| 6 Axes, $6 50; 5 Augers, $6; 1 Tackle Block, $6 | 14 50 |
| 4 Crow Bars, $8; 3 Chains, $6; 1 Chisel, 25c | 15 25 |
| 7 Tool Chests, $1; 3 Hammers and Sledges, $5 | 12 00 |
| 3 Cant Hooks, $1; 2 Lamps, $2 50 | 3 50 |
| 3 Lock Gates, $150; 1 Maul and Beetle, $1 50 | 151 50 |
| 1 Paddle Gates, for Locks, $45; 6 Padlocks, $1 50 | 60 50 |
| 56 Picks, $66 75; 32 Pike Poles, $1 50; 2 Plows, $6 | 71 25 |
| 1 Pump, $1 50; 1 Scow, $275; 6 Scrapers, $22 50 | 299 00 |
| 356 Shovels, $247 63; 1 Shave, 75c.; 1 pr. Buckskin Bars, $1 50 | 249 88 |
| 1 Grind Stone, $4; 1 Stove, $1; 1 pair Blacksmith's Tongs, 75c | 5 75 |
| 222 Wheel Barrows, $325 62; 6 Wrenches, $7 50 | 333 12 |
| 1 Brace and 2 Bitts, 63c.; 4 Steps and 3 Sockets, $3 25 | 4 13 |
| 2 Tow Posts and 1 Rest Post, $22; 3 Gate Collars, $3 | 25 00 |
| 9 Eyes, $4 05; 12 Wrists, $21 60; 2 Cold Chisels, 75c | 26 40 |
| 1 Boring Machine, $7; 2 Falls and Dippers, 75c. | 7 75 |
| Bow, Stern and Tow Lines | 15 00 |
| | $1,531 17 |
| Total | $2,481 72 |

The aggregate of the same to be paid in twelve equal monthly payments.

The person or persons to whom the work may be awarded will be required to enter into contract for the performance of the work within ten days after the same shall have been awarded to him or them, upon the terms prescribed by the Contracting Board.

The name or names of the persons proposing must be written out in full, with their places of residence.

The specifications and blank propositions and forms of contracts and bonds will be ready for examination at the above-mentioned office, ten days prior to the time specified for the letting. Dated Albany, Jan. 29, 1858.

SAMUEL S. WHALLON, } Canal
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V. R. RICHMOND, State Eng. and Surveyor.
NATHANIEL S. BENTON, Auditor.

NOTICE.—THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE OF the Board of Aldermen will meet at Room No. 8, City Hall, on MONDAY, Feb. 22, inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., to consider the applications of the following persons, viz., A. B. Jacobs and Peter Goldstein, for remission of fine; David Miles, for pay for loss of horse; E. Green, relative to salary; and Patrick Hays, John Doyle and Lawrence O'Reilly, for pay for losses of horses. The above-named parties are hereby notified to attend the meeting of the Committee, at the time and place above mentioned.

THOMAS McSPEDON, } Committee
JOHN J. GREGORY, } on Finance.
GEORGE STARR, }

NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL U. S. M. S. S. COMPANY, No. 56 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 10, 1858.

NOTICE.—A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, on THURSDAY, 25th inst., at 12 o'clock, M. The annual election for five Directors of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, on THURSDAY, March 5, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M. By order.

W. L. YOULE, Secretary.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS against JAMES QUIGLEY will please present the same, with proper vouchers, to the subscribers.

WILLIAM McARTHUR, 125 Liberty-st., } Assignees.
WILLIAM H. PARSONS, 343 Broadway, }
JOHN H. NEILLEY, 24 Church-st.,
Dated, Feb. 16, 1858.

## FOR THE SOUTH.

EXCURSION TO RICHMOND, VA.—INAUGURATION OF WASHINGTON'S STATUE, FEB. 22.—The steamship JAMESTOWN Capt. PARRISH, will leave New-York SATURDAY Afternoon, 20th inst., for Richmond, Va., arriving there early Monday morning, Feb. 22, in time for passengers to witness the Inauguration of CRAWFORD'S Equestrian Statue of WASHINGTON on that day. The *Jamestown* leaves Richmond next afternoon and arrives in New-York the following Thursday. Passage to Richmond and back, including meals and stateroom $15. Tickets obtained at our office.

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FOR CHARLESTON AND FLORIDA.—SEMI-WEEKLY UNITED STATES MAIL SIDE-WHEEL STEAMSHIP LINE.—The new steamship COLUMBIA, Captain M. BERRY, will leave pier No. 4 North River, on SATURDAY, Feb. 20, at 4 o'clock P. M., precisely, for freight or passage, apply to SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO., No. 39 Broadway. The splendid steamship MARION, W. J. FORBES, Commander, will succeed and leave on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24. The large and favorite steamers EVERGLADE, CAROLINA and ST. MARYS connect with the steamers from New-York for Florida. Through tickets may be had by applying as above.

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FOR NORFOLK AND RICHMOND.—THE United States Mail Steamship JAMESTOWN, Capt. Parrish, will leave on SATURDAY, 20th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 13 North River. She will arrive at Norfolk on Sunday afternoon, and at Richmond on Monday morning. Passengers for the South will proceed directly on by the great Southern mail line. Travelers will find this the cheapest, pleasantest and most expeditious route. Passage and fare, including stateroom, to Norfolk, $6; Petersburg and Richmond, $10; steerage half-price. Apply to LUDLAM & PLEASANTS, No. 331 Broadway.

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| Saturday, March 13 | Wednesday, March 31 |
| Saturday, April 10 | Wednesday, April 28 |
| Saturday, April 24 | Wednesday, May 12 |
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## RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD—WINTER ARRANGEMENT.—Commencing Wednesday, J

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all the opponents of the Lecompton Constitution have recognized the Territorial Government as valid and legitimate, acknowledging their allegiance to it, and their determination and duty to sustain and support it. The October election becomes a memorable period in the history of Kansas, for the additional reason that it marks the date when the Lecompton Government made its whole line of policy, and formed the scheme of forcing the Constitution on the people without their consent, and of subverting the authority of the Territorial Legislature without the consent of Congress. Up to this period it had been generally understood and conceded that the Convention had been called for the purpose of framing a Constitution and submitting it to the people for ratification or rejection, and of then asking Congress for acceptance only in the event it should be first ratified by a majority of the legal voters of the Territory. Upon this point there is no room for doubt that the President and the Cabinet concurred with the people of Kansas that it was the duty of the Convention to submit the Constitution to the people fairly and unconditionally, for their approval or rejection, before it could be considered by Congress. And that the people of Kansas, and that the world, understood that the people must be a condition precedent to the admission of Kansas into the Union by Congress. The President, in his instructions to Gov. Walker, through his Secretary of State, under date of March 16, said:

"When such Constitution should be submitted to the people of the Territory, they must be protected in the exercise of their right of voting for or against that instrument, and the fair expression of the popular will must not be interrupted by fraud or violence."

Governor Walker, in his official dispatch to the Secretary of State, under date of June 2, said:

"On one point the sentiment of the people is almost universal, that the Constitution must be submitted for ratification or rejection, to a vote of the people, who shall be here the registers of the Territory next Fall."

And in his Inaugural Address to the people of Kansas, Gov. Walker said:

"With these views, and known to the President and Cabinet, I accepted the appointment of Governor of Kansas. My instructions from the President, through the Secretary of State, under date of the 30th of March, recognize the regular Legislature of the Territory as constituting a Convention to form a Constitution." [illegible] the action of the President, that when the Constitution shall be submitted to the People of the Territory, they must be protected in the exercise of their right of voting for or against that instrument, and the fair expression of the popular will must not be interfered with by fraud or violence. I repeat, then, as my clear conviction, that unless the Convention submit the Constitution to the vote of all the actual resident settlers of Kansas, and the election be fairly and justly conducted, the Constitution can, and will, NOT BE REJECTED BY CONGRESS."

These official papers, containing the most solemn and authoritative assurance on the part of the President, the Cabinet and the Governor, that the Constitution would be submitted to the people for ratification or rejection, and that in the event it should not be so submitted, it "will and ought to be rejected by Congress," were published and spread broadcast over the Territory prior to the election of delegates to the Convention, for the purpose of satisfying the people that the apportionment was unjustly and foully made in the apportionment of delegates, by the disfranchisement of 19 counties, and the imperfect and hasty registration of voters in the other 19 counties, yet the great wrong would not produce any injury in the end, for the reason that the Convention would be compelled to submit the Constitution to the people for "ratification" or "rejection," and that, unless it should be thus submitted at a fair election, it "will and ought to be and ought to be rejected by Congress." The people relying on these solemn pledges of the President, the Cabinet and the Governor, supported by the assurances of all the Government officers in the Territory, and affirmed by the Democratic Party unanimously, in their resolutions following the policy of Gov. Walker, and nominating Gov. Walker for Congress, and confirmed by Senators and Representatives in Congress who visited the Territory, and gave similar pledges in their speeches to the people, were lulled into a false and fatal security, under the belief that the great wrong perpetrated in the apportionment for the election of delegates would be counteracted and rendered harmless by the submission of the Constitution to a vote of the people, at a fair election, for ratification or rejection. Thus the matter stood when the election took place, on the first Monday of October last, and resulted in the total defeat of the Democratic Party, and the triumph and election of Free-State men for the Legislature, for Congress, and for county officers. This election dissipated the last ray of hope on the part of the Pro-Slavery men of making Kansas a slave-holding State by a fair vote of the people on the ratification or rejection of the Constitution, for the obvious reason, that while it was conceded that the whole Free-State party (so called) would vote to a man against a Pro-Slavery Constitution, it was well known that at least one-half of the Democratic party would vote the same way on that question, thus proving by the data furnished by that election that four-fifths, if not nine-tenths of the people were in favor of making Kansas a Free State. The Lecompton Convention assembled and organized on the first Monday in September, one month previous to the election, and after appointing the Committees and transacting some preliminary business, adjourned until after the election, for the purpose of avoiding a division in the Democratic party, by disclosing the character of the Constitution, until they should ascertain the relative strength of parties in the Territory. The result of the election demonstrated beyond all controversy that an immense majority of the people of Kansas were opposed to making Kansas a Slave State, and that if the Convention framed and presented a Slave-State Constitution for approval, it would inevitably be rejected at the election. Under these circumstances, the Convention determined that instead of conforming their action to the known wishes of the people of Kansas, they would form a Slave-State Constitution, and submit it to the people in such a form as to render it impossible for them to reject it, by allowing those to vote only who would vote *for* it, and excluding from the polls all who proposed to vote against it. By this disreputable trick they hoped to save themselves, the President and his Cabinet, and all who cooperated with them, from the disgrace of violated pledges, at the same time that they defrauded the people of Kansas of the sacred rights of self-government guaranteed by the organic act, by forcing a Constitution upon them, without their consent and their without. It is but just to remark that the moment this scheme of bribery and fraud was promulgated, a large majority of the Democratic Party, including the better portion of the Pro-Slavery Party, who had acted with the Lecompontites up to that time, instantly withdrew their confidence and support, and denounced the measure, as a base betrayal of the rights of the people.

The Lecompontites were loyal to the Territorial Government so long as they filled the offices and controlled its power; but the moment they were defeated at the elections, and the power passed into the hands of their opponents, they rebelled against it, denied its authority, and devised schemes to destroy its existence. Thus they provided: "This Constitution shall take effect and be in force from and after its ratification by the people, as hereinbefore provided," that is, from and after the election on the 21st of December, when the people were permitted to vote for it, *but not against it*. In this mode they proposed to abrogate and subvert the Territorial Government established by Congress, by putting in force a State Constitution without the consent of Congress. What is this but rebellion—open, marked, undisguised rebellion? Where is the difference between this and the Topeka movement, which the President denounces as a "revolutionary Government," organized in defiance of the authority of the United States, which it was his duty to suppress with the Federal troops? He says:

"*This Topeka Government, adhered to with such treasonable pertinacity, is a Government in direct opposition to the express will of Congress, and therefore it is revolutionary.*"

Might not the President have said, with as much fairness and justice, that this Lecompton Constitution, adhered to with such treasonable pertinacity, is a Constitution in direct opposition to the existing Government prescribed and recognized by Congress? If it be said that the Topeka Constitution was framed and declared to be in force without the consent of Congress, and therefore revolutionary, it may be answered with equal truth that the Lecompton Constitution was framed and declared in force without the consent of Congress, and consequently "revolutionary" for the same reason.

But we are told that the Lecompton Convention assembled under the authority of the Territorial Legislature. It is true that it commenced its proceedings under the sanction of the Legislature, and continued its action in open rebellion against the authority of the Legislature.

When the Legislature, on the 17th of December, interposed its lawful authority to prevent the Lecompton Constitution from going into effect until ratified by the people on the 4th of January, and accepted by Congress, the Lecompontites defied the authority of the Legislature established by Congress, and treated the law with contempt, refusing to yield obedience to its express mandates, or abide by the decision against it.

Thus it will be seen that from the time the Lecompontites lost possession of the offices under the Territorial Government by a fair election on the first Monday in October last, in the language of the President, "they have all the time been endeavoring to subvert and establish a revolutionary Government under the so-called Topeka (Lecompton) Constitution in its stead." So it happens that the Lecompton Constitution, as well as the Topeka Constitution, was intended to "take effect and be in force," not only without the consent of Congress, but in defiance and contempt of the authority of the Territorial Legislature established by Congress. Hence, if it be true that the Topeka Constitution was revolutionary, (and I have always held that it was so,) for the reason that was declared to take effect and be in force without the consent of Congress, and in defiance of the authority of the Territorial Legislature, it is undeniable that the Lecompton Constitution was "revolutionary" for the same reason, and that the President of the United States was under the same official obligations to maintain law over the Lecompton Constitution until Congress should otherwise order and direct. Upon what principles of fairness or justice, then, can it be urged that we should admit Kansas into the Union with the Lecompton Constitution? Certainly not upon the ground that it is the act and deed of the people of Kansas, and fairly embodies their will, for it has been conclusively shown that it has been repudiated by the people by more than 10,000 majority, at a fair election, held in pursuance of a valid law. Not upon the ground that it was adopted "in strict subordination to the existing Territorial Government," and entire subserviency to the power of Congress to reject or disapprove it at their pleasure "as was held by General Jackson in the Arkansas case to be necessary, for it has been shown, beyond all controversy, that it was declared to take effect and be in force" in defiance of the authority of the Territorial Legislature, and without the consent of Congress. But the speedy admission of Kansas is urged by the President as a question of mere expediency, in order to restore peace and quiet in the whole country "and prevent a revival of the Slavery agitation." Upon this point the President addresses a plausible and ingenious argument to that portion of the Anti-Slavery feeling of the country, which, overlooking the great principle of self-government involved, opposes the Lecompton Constitution mainly upon the ground that it recognizes and establishes Slavery in Kansas, and is willing to adopt the shortest and quickest mode of abolishing Slavery, and making Kansas a Free State.

In order to reconcile this Anti-Slavery feeling to the admission of Kansas under the Lecompton Constitution, the President presents and enforces by argument the following propositions:

1. That it has been solemnly adjudicated by the highest judicial tribunal known to our laws, that Slavery exists in Kansas by virtue of the Constitution of the United States, and that Kansas is therefore at this moment as much a Slave State as Georgia or South Carolina.

2. That Slavery can, therefore, never be prohibited in Kansas except by means of a Constitutional provision, and in no other manner can this be done so promptly, if a majority of the people desire it, as by admitting it into the Union under the present Constitution.

3. That the people will then be sovereign, and can regulate their own affairs in their own way. If a majority of them desire to abolish domestic Slavery within the State, there is no other possible mode by which this can be effected so speedily as by prompt admission, and that the Legislature already elected may at its very first session submit the question to the vote of the people, whether they will or will not have a Convention to amend their Constitution, and adopt all necessary means for giving effect to the popular will.

4. Inasmuch as the Lecompton Constitution provides a mode of amendment after the year 1864, and thereby excludes the possibility of any lawful change until that period, the President suggests that Congress may remove this obstacle by inserting a clause in the act of admission annulling so much of the Constitution as prohibits any change until after the year 1864, and requires two-thirds of each House of the Legislature to authorise the people to vote for a Convention, and declaring the right of the Legislature already elected to call a Convention, by a majority vote, in violation of the Constitution under which its members were elected, and which they were sworn to support.

Let us read the President's language on this point:

"If, therefore, the provisions changing the Kansas Constitution after the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, could possibly be construed into a prohibition to make such a change previous to that period, this prohibition would be wholly unavailing."

And again:

"If a majority of them [the people of Kansas] desire to abolish domestic Slavery within the State, there is no other possible mode by which this can be effected so speedily as by prompt admission. The will of the majority is supreme and irresistible, when expressed in an orderly and lawful manner. They can make and unmake Constitutions at pleasure. It would be absurd to say that they can impose fetters on their own power, which they cannot afterwards remove. If they could do this, they might tie their own hands for a hundred as well as for ten years. These are fundamental principles of American Freedom, and are recognized, I believe, in some form or other, by every State Constitution; and IF CONGRESS, IN THE ACT OF ADMISSION, SHOULD DEEM PROPER TO RECOGNIZE THEM, I CAN PERCEIVE NO OBJECTION TO SUCH A COURSE."

The President can perceive no objection to Congress inserting a provision in the act admitting Kansas into the Union, which abrogates and annuls an imperative provision of the Constitution, and declares the right of the Legislature already elected to take the initiatory steps to change it by a majority vote, in the face of the provision in the Constitution that such steps shall not be taken until "*two-thirds of the members of each House*" concur, and not even in that case until after the year 1864. What right has Congress to intervene and annul, alter or even construe the provisions of a State Constitution, and license the members of the Legislature to disregard their sworn obligations to support the Constitution under which they hold their offices? Where does Congress obtain its authority to tell the members of a State Legislature that they are under no obligations to respect and obey the Constitution with which such State was admitted into the Union, and that they may proceed to alter or abrogate it, in a mode and at a time different from that authorized and permitted in the instrument? If the Lecompton Constitution be the act and deed of the people of Kansas, and if it be accepted by Congress as such, and the State be admitted into the Union under it, I hold that there is no *lawful* mode on earth to change or amend it, except the one provided and authorized in the Constitution itself. I agree that "the will of the majority is supreme and irresistible, when expressed in an orderly and lawful manner." But the question is, when a Constitution has once become the supreme law of a State, what "lawful manner" is there of changing it, except the one provided and permitted by the Constitution? I agree with the President, also, that "the people can make and unmake Constitutions at pleasure." But how? In what manner is this to be done? There are two modes—the one *lawful* and the other *revolutionary*. When a Constitution has once become the fundamental law of a State, there is no "*lawful* manner,"—there can be no "lawful manner" of altering, changing, or abrogating it, except in pursuance of its provisions. It is true that the right of revolution remains—that great inalienable right to which our fathers resorted when submission was intolerable, and resistance a less evil than submission. Hence, if the Lecompton Constitution be accepted by Congress and the State admitted under it, while there will be no "lawful manner" of amending or abrogating it until after the year 1864, and then only by the concurrence of two-thirds of each branch of the Legislature, in the first instance, followed by a majority vote of all the citizens of the State, and the concurrence of the two Houses of the next Legislature—all prior to the election of delegates, and the assembling of a Convention—yet the revolutionary right will remain to the people of Kansas, to be resorted to or not according as they determine for themselves that it is a less evil to resist than to submit to a Constitution which was never their act and deed, and never did embody their will. It may be true that under this terrible right of revolution, "if a majority of the people desire to abolish domestic Slavery within the State, there is no other possible mode by which this can be effected so speedily as by prompt admission;" but if this "mode" be resorted to under the impression that it will abolish Slavery in Kansas more "speedily" than any other possible, it must be understood to mean revolution if successful, and rebellion in case of failure. But suppose the line of policy indicated by the President should be pursued—that Kansas be admitted under the Lecompton Constitution—that Congress in the act of admission recognize the right of "the Legislature already elected, at its very first session, to submit the question to a vote of the people whether they will or will not have a Convention to amend their Constitution, and adopt all necessary measures to give effect to the popular will;" suppose all this to have been done, of what relief will it be to the oppressed people of Kansas, unless Mr. Calhoun should set aside the fraudulent returns from Delaware Crossing, or go behind the returns and reject the fraudulent votes at Kickapoo, or Shawnee, or Oxford, or other precincts, in order to insure a majority in both branches of the Legislature opposed to the Lecompton Constitution, and in favor of an immediate change? Unless the President is prepared to inform us that this is to be done, it is worse than mockery to talk about the right of the Legislature, "at *its very first session*," to submit the question to the people, and to insert a clause in the act of admission declaratory of a right, which can be exercised only in violation of the Constitution and by revolution; and especially if it is understood that, by forged returns and fraudulent votes, a majority of members are to be declared elected in both branches of the Legislature, who are determined to maintain the Lecompton Constitution, and resist any and all efforts to change it. By the express command of the Convention, the returns of that election were to be made up to the President of the Convention "within eight days" after the election. On the ninth day after the election, to wit, on the 13th of January, the returns were opened and counted by Mr. Calhoun, as appears by the proclamation of the presiding officers of the two houses of the Legislature, who were present, by invitation of Mr. Calhoun, to witness the opening and counting of the votes. More than a month has elapsed since the returns were opened and votes counted, and Mr. Calhoun being in this city, we are not permitted to know the result of his deliberations; whether the rumor of yesterday that the Anti-Lecompton members were elected, or the rumor of to-day that the Lecompton party had triumphed, or whether the policy is to withhold the decision until the State shall have been admitted, and, leaving each party to infer that the decision is to be in their favor, compel Congress to act in the dark, and wait patiently to find out the result of its action. But suppose there should be a majority in both branches of the Legislature opposed to the Lecompton Constitution, and in favor of a change, what can they do toward relieving the people of Kansas from a Constitution they abhor, since it is well understood that, in consequence of a large number of votes cast for the Anti-Lecompton ticket having been returned to Gov. Denver instead of Mr. Calhoun, the Lecompton ticket for Governor and State officers is to be declared elected; thus rendering it morally certain that any bill which the Legislature might pass, having for its object a change in the Constitution, would be defeated by the Governor's veto, it not being anticipated in any contingency that the opponents of the Lecompton Constitution would have a majority of two-thirds in each branch of the Legislature. Hence it must be apparent to all that, in the event that Kansas is admitted under the Lecompton Constitution, any argument or proposition founded on the idea that the people of Kansas will have the opportunity of changing the Constitution by peaceful means through the instrumentality of the Legislature must in all probability prove deceptive and delusive. In the event that the deed shall be consummated, their only alternatives will be submission or revolution. Revolutions are sometimes peaceful and bloodless. Constitutions and Governments have been changed by revolution without violence or bloodshed, but this is the case only when the public sentiment is favor of the change is unanimous or approaches so closely to unanimity as to silence all opposition. If this should prove to be the case in Kansas, the people will be able to reassert their violated rights of self-government, and form a Constitution which will embody their will, without violence or force; but if, in the progress of the revolution, they should meet with determined resistance, civil war or unconditional submission must be the inevitable consequence. Do the history of this Lecompton Constitution, the character and purpose of the men engaged in the movement, and the means employed to force it upon an unwilling people, furnish us assurance that after they have realized all their hopes by making the Constitution "the fundamental law of the State, unalterable until after 1864, and then only by a two-thirds vote, that they will, on the day they come into power under it, permit it to be subverted and abrogated by a revolutionary movement, when they will have acquired the right, under the Constitution of the United States, to demand of the President the use of the Federal Army to put down the insurrection, and protect the State "against domestic violence?" When this demand shall be made upon the President by the "Legislature already elected at its very first session," or by the Governor, "when the Legislature cannot be convened," will he not consider himself bound by his official oath, and in obedience to the Constitution of the United States, to use the Federal troops to protect the State against domestic violence, by putting down the revolution, and suppressing insurrection and maintaining the authority of the Constitution, until lawfully changed in the manner prescribed in the instrument? Or, if it could be converted into a judicial instead of a political question, and brought before the Supreme Court of the United States for adjudication, can any one doubt the decision? Would not the Court be compelled to decide that the Constitution, having once become the fundamental law of the State, must be respected and obeyed as such until changed or annulled in pursuance of its own provisions? Would not the Court be compelled to declare as an inviolable and universal rule of interpretation, that when a Constitution prescribes one mode of amendment, it must be understood and construed as having thereby precluded all other modes, and prohibited all other means of accomplishing the same object? Suppose the people of Kansas should attempt to change the Constitution in a mode and at a time different from that authorized in the instrument, and should proceed so far as to adopt a new Constitution, and set up a State Government under it by an overwhelming majority in antagonism to the Constitution and State Government with which Kansas was admitted into the Union, which of the State Governments would the President feel bound to recognize, and "protect against domestic violence," when applied to in the manner provided in the Federal Constitution? He would be compelled to use the whole military power of the United States, or so much of it as shall be necessary to put down rebellion, and "protect the State against domestic violence," when properly applied to for the purpose. Hence the question will arise, and it is important to know how it is to be decided, in the event there shall be two State Governments in Kansas, in antagonism with each other—the one organized under the Lecompton Constitution and the other established by the people, in opposition to the Lecompton Constitution—which will the President recognize as valid and legitimate, and which will he denounce as a "revolutionary Government, adhered to with such treasonable pertinacity" as to make it his duty, under the Constitution of the United States, to put down the insurrection and crush out the rebellion with the Federal troops? It is important that this question should be determined in order that the people of Kansas may know how they are to exercise that great indefeasible right of which the President speaks when he says "They can make and unmake Constitutions at pleasure." Does he mean that inalienable right of revolution to which every people may resort, when their oppression is intolerable, and submission is a less evil than resistance? If so, I fear that the bright anticipations of the President would not be fully realized when he imagines that the speedy admission of Kansas into the Union under the Lecompton Constitution "would restore peace and quiet to the whole country," and enable him "to withdraw the troops of the United States from Kansas and employ them on branches of the service where they are much needed."

## The Bill for the admission of Kansas as a State.

A Bill for the admission of the State of Kansas into the Union, presented in the Senate by Mr. Green, of Missouri, from the Committee on Territories, Feb. 17, 1858.

Whereas, the people of the Territory of Kansas, by their representatives in convention assembled at Lecompton, in said Territory, on Monday, the 4th day of September, 1857, having the right of admission into the Union as one of the United States of America, consistent with the federal constitution, in virtue of the treaty of cession by France of the province of Louisiana, made and concluded on the 30th day of April, 1803, and in accordance with the Act of Congress approved on the 30th May, A. D. 1854, entitled "An act to organize the Territory of Kansas and Nebraska," did form for themselves a constitution and State government, republican in form; and the said convention has, in their name and behalf, asked the Congress of the United States to admit the Territory into the Union as a State, on an equal footing with the other States:

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the State of Kansas shall be, and is hereby declared to be, one of the United States of America, and admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, in all respects whatever; and the said State shall consist of all the territory included within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning at a point on the western boundary of the State of Missouri, where the thirty-seventh parallel of latitude crosses the same; thence west on said parallel to the eastern boundary of New-Mexico; thence north on said boundary to latitude thirty-eight; thence following said boundary westward to the eastern boundary of the Territory of Utah, on the summit of the Rocky Mountains; thence northward on said summit to the fortieth parallel of latitude; thence east on said parallel to the western boundary of the State of Missouri; thence south with the western boundary of said State to the place of beginning: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained respecting the boundary of said State shall be construed to impair the right of person or property now pertaining to the Indians in said Territory so long as such right shall remain unextinguished by treaty between the United States and such Indians, or to include any territory which, by treaty with such Indian tribes, is not without the consent of said tribe to be included within the territorial limits or jurisdiction of any State or Territory, but all such territory shall be excepted out of the boundaries, and constitute no part of the State of Kansas, until said tribe shall signify their assent to the President of the United States to be included within said State, or to affect the authority of the Government of the United States to make any regulations respecting such Indians, their lands, property, or other rights, by treaty, law, or otherwise, which it would have been competent to make if this act had been passed.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the State of Kansas is admitted into the Union upon the express condition that said State shall never interfere with the primary disposal of the public lands, or with any regulations which Congress may find necessary for securing the title in said lands to the *bona fide* purchasers and grantees thereof, or impose or levy any tax, assessment or imposition of any description whatever upon the same, or other property of the United States, within the limits of said State; and nothing in this act shall be construed as an assent by Congress to all or to any of the propositions or claims contained in the ordinance of the said Constitution of the people of Kansas, nor to deprive the said State of Kansas of the same grants which were contained in the act of Congress, entitled "An act to authorize the people of the Territory of Minnesota to form a Constitution and State Government, preparatory to admission into the Union on an equal footing with the original States," approved Feb. 26, 1857.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That until the next general census shall be taken, and an apportionment of representation made, the State of Kansas shall be entitled to one representative in the House of Representatives of the United States.

## The Removal of the Chicago Postmaster—His Successor—Reception of the Turkish Admiral, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Washington, Thursday, Feb. 18, 1858.

The removal of the Anti-Lecompton Postmasters at Chicago, Ill., and Columbus, Ohio, affords sad evidence of Mr. Buchanan's recklessness, and establishes the fact that in his eyes no offence of a public officer is so grave as his refusal to indorse a fraud, and no test of fitness for public place complete unless accompanied by subserviency. It is admitted that both these gentlemen were faithful and honest public servants. There is no pretence of complaint against either, except that they do not think Kansas should be tyrannically forced into the Union. How their sentiments on that point can affect the distribution of mails will doubtless puzzle simple-minded people exceedingly. Mr. Miller, the Columbus martyr, is the friend of S. S. Cox, the accomplished young representative in Congress from that District, whose zealous efforts to defeat the contemplated outrage upon popular sovereignty demanded this second-handed revenge.

The Chicago case is peculiarly marked, and disgracefully marked. Mr. Cook, who has just been appointed Postmaster to succeed Mr. Price, held the office during the last Administration, and was so notoriously incompetent to discharge its duties that it was with difficulty his friend, Senator Douglas, succeeded in preventing his removal. After the appointment of his successor, it was discovered that Cook was a defaulter to the Government to the amount of some eighteen thousand dollars, which Postmaster-General Brown peremptorily ordered him to pay up, if he did not wish to be sued upon his bond. When Douglas called upon him in relation to the matter, Cook said that he had sold to the Government a city lot adjoining the Custom-House for $15,000, and had credited himself with the price of it—but that the Department had rejected the item, and thus made out the defalcation.

The Senator accordingly wrote to Governor Brown, representing the case, and asking him if it could possibly be done, to allow the credit for the lot to relieve the Ex-Postmaster from the imputation of being a defaulter, and his surety from the necessity of responding upon his bond in these times of severe money pressure. The Department replied that it was impossible—that Cook knew the money could not be credited to him, because the purchase was made on condition that he should make perfect title to the Government, and that the jurisdiction over the property should be ceded to the United States, which latter could not be done for eighteen months, as the Legislature would not be sooner in session. Until these conditions were complied with the purchase was not completed, and the purchase money could neither be credited nor paid to Cook. Besides, there were several thousand dollars due on his accounts over and above the price of the lot. In conclusion, the Department again gave peremptory notice that suit would be brought if the defalcation was not made good.

Thus it will be seen, that the best efforts of the Senator, when he was in good standing with the Administration, were not sufficient to convince the Department that Mr. Cook's defalcation was in the least excusable or to be palliated. So matters stood until a few days ago, when Cook came here, began to denounce Mr. Douglas, and was finally reappointed Postmaster at Chicago, notwithstanding his defalcation, notwithstanding his incompetency, and notwithstanding that *he also was a member of the Committee which reported to the Chicago Anti-Lecompton meeting* the resolutions indorsing the Administration, but sustaining Douglas on the Kansas question. He has consented to become traitor to his principles and his friend,—he has denounced Douglas, and that entitles him to Mr. Buchanan's sympathy and reward! The extraordinary conduct of the President in this case is made the more hideous by the fact that this very morning Cook's surety applied at the Department to know how his account stood, and was informed that the reappointed Postmaster is still a defaulter on his old account, and that suit is to be commenced at once to recover from his bondsman. When the Senate confirms Cook's nomination, the President will be encouraged in opening penitentiary doors, and taking from within them candidates for offices that honest men can't accept, coupled with degrading conditions.

The *Herald's* statement that Hon. Horace F. Clark will vote for Lecompton, is unauthorized and untrue. He is now confined at home by illness, but before he left the city declared himself against the Lecompton fraud in the most positive terms.

As Mr. Clark is a gentleman of fortune, who can afford to be independent of Executive patronage, he will maintain the stand he has taken, and obey the sentiment of his district, which is unanimous against the pending swindle, notwithstanding the efforts of the Executive to force it as a party measure.

The Senate has passed the Joint Resolution providing for the reception of the Turkish Admiral who is soon expected to land upon our shores. It is to be hoped that the measure will be strangled in the other House—for it is false in its spirit, unbecoming our Republicanism, and insulting to the Turkish Government, which is not a pauper, and will feel insulted instead of complimented by this volunteered and pompous charity toward its representative. We are told that our fussy parade over Amin Bey, some years ago, was appreciated kindly by the Turkish Government, and resulted in good, but the evidence to sustain the assertion is wholly wanting. Amin was an impostor—at least in so far as he claimed to be an agent of the Sultan, accredited to the United States, although he was probably less responsible for the imposition, than was John P. Brown, United States Dragoman at Constantinople, who introduced him in the United States, and laid the well-devised scheme through which himself and Amin were enabled to lionize it about the country at Uncle Sam's expense. Amin was simply a teacher in the Naval school near Constantinople, and came to the United States on leave of absence, for his own private amusement and instruction. After his return, the United States Minister at Constantinople found it easy to obtain from the Vizier a letter acknowledging the attentions shown to Amin, the Turkish *subject*. That letter contains not a word about his being an agent or envoy,—and although the charge of imposture has been long before the country, those who participated in the affair have been successfully defied to show a particle of evidence, under the Sultan's authority, that he was in any way accredited as his agent.

If any special good has resulted to the United States from that affair, will some one be good enough to specify it so that it can be seen and understood. It is not our habit to feed and "tote" representatives of foreign Governments, and as the Sultan considers himself able to pay the expenses of his own agents when he sends them abroad to build ships, his pride will revolt at other attentions than the extension of ordinary facilities for the prosecution of his mission, and his introduction into society. If we spend five or fifty thousand dollars in free drinks to the honor of Mahmoud Pasha, the only result will be that the Sultan will feel himself bound to return a similar amount in presents to the President of the United States, to be accepted by the latter only to be placed on exhibition in the Patent Office. If the United States must signalize the advent of a Turkish Admiral by the expenditure of hard cash, there is a way of doing it to some purpose. Let them, for instance, consider and settle the just claim of Hassan Caramalli, the Turk who raised an army under contract with General Eaton, to aid the United States in its Tripolitan War, and who has never to this hour received a dollar of the compensation to which the national honor and faith were pledged. The rendition of long-delayed justice in this case will do infinitely more to inspire the Turkish Government with that respect which must be the foundation of their kindly regard. S.

# COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

Per Markets see Third Page.

### Sales at the Stock Exchange—Feb. 19.

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| $5,000 | N. Y. St. 6s '73 | 115¼ | |
| 1,000 | Mich. State 6s | 94⅞ | |
| 15,000 | do b3 | 95 | |
| 2,000 | Virginia 6s | 91 | |
| 1,000 | Tenn. St. 6s '90 | 87½ | |
| 5,000 | do | 88 | |
| 9,000 | Missouri St. 6s | 83¾ | |
| 10,000 | do b30 | 84 | |
| 5,000 | Louisiana St. 6s | 90 | |
| 1,000 | Cal. St. 7s '70 | 81¾ | |
| 10,000 | Brooklyn City 6s | 91⅞ | |
| 500 | N. Y. Cen. R. 6s | 88¾ | |
| 5,000 | do | 88⅞ | |
| 500 | N. Y. Cen. R. 7s | 101 | |
| 14,000 | Erie R. 4th mt. bds | 75 | |
| 2,000 | Erie R. Co. R. 1871 | 59 | |
| 5,000 | do b15 | 59 | |
| 1,000 | Hud. R. R. 1st mt. | 97⅞ | |
| 1,000 | Hud. R. R. 2d mt. | 62 | |
| 1,000 | Harlem R. 2d mt. | 72 | |
| 1,000 | Ill. Cen. R. R. 8s | 81 | |
| 1,000 | La C. & Mil. L. G. R | 35⅞ | |
| 1,000 | do | 35 | |
| 2,000 | do | 34 | |
| 8,000 | Mil. & Mis. 2m. 10R | 72½ | |
| 25 | Merchants Bank | 115 | |
| 10 | Union Bank | 115 | |
| 25 | Phenix Bank | 105 | |
| 10 | Bank of Commerce | 101¾ | |
| 20 | Am. Ex. Bank | 103¾ | |
| 10 | Ocean Bank | 82 | |
| 5 | Market Bank | 99 | |
| 10 | Bank of New-York | 110 | |
| 195 | Canton Company | 23 | |
| 95 | Penn. Coal [illegible] | 73 | |
| 100 | Cumb. Coal Co. | 19¾ | |
| 50 | do b10 | 19½ | |
| 100 | do b30 | 19⅞ | |
| 225 | do | 19¾ | |
| 112 | Pacific M. S. Co. | 60 | |
| 100 | N. Y. Cen. R. R. opg | 87 | |
| 130 | do p & c | 87 | |
| 100 | do 1 d. aft. opg | 87 | |
| 250 | do opg | 87½ | |
| 25 | do c | 87½ | |
| 100 | do b30 | 87⅞ | |
| 12 | Erie Railroad | 31½ | |
| 475 | do | 32 | |
| 871 | do | 31¾ | |
| 100 | do b60 | 32 | |
| 200 | do b30 | 32 | |
| 100 | do s10 | 31¾ | |
| 100 | do b60 | 32¼ | |
| 50 | C. B. & Q. R. R. b10 | 80 | |
| 34 | Del. & Hud. Canal | 112¾ | |
| 100 | do | 113 | |
| 220 | Hud. River R. R. | 28¾ | |
| 100 | do | 28⅞ | |
| 260 | do | 28¾ | |
| 100 | do b60 | 28¾ | |
| 200 | do b10 | 28¾ | |
| 300 | do s3 | 28 | |
| 187 | Harlem Railroad | 13⅞ | |
| 200 | do b10 | 13¾ | |
| 10 | do | 13½ | |
| 225 | Har. R. R. Pref. | 33 | |
| 15 | Sixth-av. R. R. | 106 | |
| 180 | La C. & Mil. R. R. | 11¼ | |
| 365 | do | 11⅜ | |
| 750 | Reading R. R. | s3 63 | |
| 500 | do b10 | 63 | |
| 200 | do s30 | 62½ | |
| 10 | do | 62 | |
| 100 | do c | 62¼ | |
| 200 | do b5 | 62½ | |
| 100 | do | 62⅞ | |
| 200 | do b15 | 62½ | |
| 300 | do b10 | 62½ | |
| 175 | Mich. Cent. R. R. | 73¼ | |
| 160 | do | 73½ | |
| 25 | Mich. So. & N. In. R | 37 | |
| 100 | do | 36⅞ | |
| 70 | do | 36¾ | |
| 250 | do b30 | 27¼ | |
| 250 | do | 26⅞ | |
| 50 | do s10 | 26⅞ | |
| 25 | do b10 | 27½ | |
| 349 | M. So. & N. I. p. s. | 47 | |
| 50 | do | 46 | |
| 85 | Panama Railroad | 103¾ | |
| 100 | do b30 | 103¾ | |
| 260 | Cleve. & Pitts. R. R. | 12 | |
| 550 | do | 13 | |
| 50 | Cleve. Col. & Cin. R | 95¼ | |
| 110 | Gal. & Chic. R. R. | 94 | |
| 50 | do | 94⅛ | |
| 100 | do s60 | 94½ | |
| 30 | do | 94⅛ | |
| 50 | do b60 | 95½ | |
| 200 | Cleve. & T. R. R. b10 | 47¾ | |
| 150 | do | 47½ | |
| 300 | do | 47⅞ | |
| 130 | Chi. & R. I. R. R b30 | 81½ | |
| 100 | do b10 | 81¼ | |
| 275 | do | 81 | |
| 100 | do b10 | 81 | |
| 50 | Mil. & Miss. R. R. | 37½ | |
| 50 | do b60 | 38 | |

### SECOND BOARD.

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| $5,000 | Virginia 6s | 93 | |
| 26,000 | Missouri St. 6s | 83⅞ | |
| 2,000 | E. R. R. M. M. Bs. '83 | 87½ | |
| 3,000 | E. Con. Bs. '62 | 58 | |
| 4,000 | E. R. R. C. Bs. '71 | 58½ | |
| 3,000 | La C. & M. L. G. R. | 34 | |
| 5,000 | M. & M. 2d M. 10 Bs. | 72½ | |
| 4,000 | M. C. R. R. 8 per ct. 1st M. S. F. C. Bs. | 99 | |
| 5 | Bank of Commerce | 101¾ | |
| 75 | Pacific M. S. S. Co. | 60 | |
| 50 | Canton Co. | 24 | |
| 80 | do b30 | 24¼ | |
| 240 | Penn. Coal Co. | 73 | |
| 100 | do b30 | 73½ | |
| 600 | Erie Railroad | 31¾ | |
| 100 | do s60 | 31¾ | |
| 75 | do | 32 | |
| 115 | Hud. River R. R. | 28¾ | |
| 80 | do | 28⅞ | |
| 160 | do | 28¾ | |
| 30 | Harlem R. R. | 13¾ | |
| 200 | Reading R. R. | 61¾ | |
| 100 | do | 61⅞ | |
| 250 | do | 62 | |
| 100 | do b30 | 62¼ | |
| 100 | do s3 | 62¼ | |
| 50 | Har. R. R. Pref. | 33¼ | |
| 80 | N. Y. Cen. R. R. p b c | 96⅞ | |
| 50 | Mich. Cen. R. R. | 74 | |
| 75 | do b10 | 74¼ | |
| 75 | do | 73⅞ | |
| 50 | Chic. & R. I. R. R. b10 | 80¾ | |
| 75 | do | 80¼ | |
| 50 | do s3 | 80 | |
| 50 | M. So. & N. I. R. R. b30 | 26¾ | |
| 200 | do | 26⅞ | |
| 150 | do | 26⅞ | |
| 150 | do b30 | 26¾ | |
| 260 | M. So. & N. I. prf. 84 b k | 67 | |
| 100 | Panama Railroad | 103 | |
| 100 | do | 102⅞ | |
| 200 | do b30 | 103 | |
| 300 | Clev. & Pitts. R. R. | 15¾ | |
| 100 | Gal. & Chi. R. R. | 94⅞ | |
| 200 | Cleve. & Tol. R. R. | 47¾ | |
| 320 | do | 47⅞ | |
| 100 | do b30 | 47⅞ | |
| 100 | do b3 | 47⅞ | |
| 350 | do | 47⅞ | |
| 100 | do s10 | 47⅞ | |
| 340 | La C. & M. R. R. | 11 | |
| 5 | Mil. & Miss. R. R. | 37½ | |
| 50 | do b60 | 38 | |

### REPORTED SALES BY AUCTION.

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| $2,000 | Tennessee 6s | Int. add. 87 |
| $4,000 | Missouri 6s | Int. add. 83⅞ |
| $5,000 | City of Wheeling 6s | Int. add. 34 |
| $5,000 | Milwaukee and Horicon R. 8s | Int. add. 15 |
| $2,000 | California 7s | Int. add. 81 |
| $2,000 | La Crosse & Milwaukee R. R. 7s | Int.